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OFFICERS, 1882–3.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, President.
MAURICE AUERBACH, Vice-President.
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EDWARD E. RANDALL, Assistant for Sundays.
MARY E. MCCLOSKEY, Janitor.

REPORT.

To the Honorable Council of the City of St. Paul:

In pursuance of the seventh section of the act of the legislature, approved March 4, 1879, to provide for the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries and reading-rooms, the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library have the honor respectfully to report:

That under the resolution of your honorable body, passed on the fifth day of September last, and our appointment on the thirteenth as Directors by his Honor the Mayor, and your approval on the nineteenth, we perfected our organization on the twenty-fifth, as provided by sections three and five of the act, the Directors being arranged as follows:

Maurice Auerbach, Henry L. Carver, James P. Pond, for one year.

Alex. Ramsey, Henry P. Upham, Benj. F. Wright, for two years.

Chas. E. Otis, Daniel A. Robertson, John D. O'Brien, for three years, commencing from the first day of May next.

The Board elected Alex. Ramsey, President; Maurice Auerbach, Vice-President; Wm. H. Kelley, Secretary.

On the twenty-third of October we received and accepted from the St. Paul Library Association a full conveyance (a copy of which is hereunto attached) of all the books, pamphlets,

maps, etc., belonging to said Association, and comprising more than eight thousand volumes, and continued in the occupation of the rooms heretofore used, although too confined for the much larger body now patronizing the library, and proceeded with as much expedition as possible in adapting the government of the library to the requirements of its new character.

The act of the legislature requires a statement of its condition on the first day of March of this year. "The various sums of money received from the library fund, and other sources, and how such moneys have been expended, and for what purposes; the number of books and periodicals on hand; the number added by purchase, gift or otherwise during the year; the number lost or missing; the number of persons attending; the number of books loaned out, and the general character and kind of such books, with such other statistics, information and suggestions as they may deem of general interest."

We answer to the first requirement, no money has been received from the library fund. The library was opened to the public on the second of January last, with eight thousand and fifty-one volumes received from the St. Paul Library Association. There have been purchased sixty-seven volumes, and forty-one have been donated, making the whole number on the first day of March, eight thousand one hundred and fifty-nine. The number of persons who have furnished the required guarantors and registered their names is one thousand two hundred and seventy-six, of which six hundred and thirty-two are males, and six hundred and forty-four are females. The number of volumes taken out during the two months are:

History and Biography	555
Voyages and Travels	259
Science and Arts	209
Poetry and Drama	130
Miscellaneous	300
Fiction and Juveniles	4,766
Issued for use in reading-room on week days	501
Issued for use in reading-room on Sundays	37
Total	6,757

Although the law requires that this report should include the condition of the library up to March first, its closing has been delayed to enable the Directors to state that on the twenty-sixth instant notice was received from the City Treasurer that twelve hundred and forty-two dollars and twenty-four cents had been placed to the credit of the library fund from the March settlement. Of this amount warrants have been ordered drawn by the Board of Directors as follows: For rent, $244.18; salaries Librarian and assistants, $276.70; books and periodicals, $209.95; printing and stationery, $169.81; fuel and light, $136.57; insurance, $69.70; binding, $63.75; furniture and incidentals, $41. Total, $1,211.66.

On the fourteenth of this month a five years' lease was made with D. W. Ingersoll for Ingersoll Hall, which will probably accommodate the library for the term of said lease.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

ST. PAUL, March 30, 1883.

TRANSFER FROM THE ST. PAUL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION TO THE ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

WHEREAS, The City of St. Paul has decided to establish and maintain a public library and reading-room under and pursuant to an act of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, approved March 4th, 1879, and entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries and reading rooms;" and

WHEREAS, The Mayor of said city has with the approval of its council duly appointed a Board of nine Directors for the same, and said Directors have met and organized and made and adopted by-laws, rules and regulations for their own guidance, and for the government of said public library and reading-room; and

WHEREAS, Said Directors have expressed a willingness to receive, manage and maintain the library and reading-room of this Association and otherwise to carry on the work for which this Association was organized; and

WHEREAS, At a meeting of the stockholders of this Association, duly held on the evening of October 6th, A. D. 1882, the following resolution was duly moved and adopted, viz.:

"*Resolved*, That the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Library Association are hereby authorized and directed to donate all the books and property of this Association, save its record books, to the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library, upon such terms as the Board of Directors of this Association may deem proper; and the said officers are hereby authorized to execute such deed or agreement as will carry out the intent of this resolution."

NOW, THEREFORE, Know all men by these presents, that the St. Paul Library Association, in consideration of the premises and the acceptance and covenant hereto attached, does hereby donate and transfer to the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library, all the books and property of every kind and

character (save its record books) owned and held by this Association. To have, use and enjoy the same forever, but upon the following conditions:

First. The debts of this Association, which do not exceed in the aggregate the sum of three hundred dollars, shall be assumed and promptly paid by said Board of Directors.

Second. All the property hereby transferred shall be held, used and preserved exclusively for the purposes prescribed and contemplated by said legislative act, and in such manner as the best judgment of said Board of Directors shall dictate.

Third. The life members of this Association shall at all times have and enjoy the same privileges, relative to said books and property, heretofore by them possessed and enjoyed.

Fourth. Should the City of St. Paul at any time hereafter fail or neglect to maintain, or should said Board of Directors fail or neglect to care for said public library and reading-room, as in this instrument and said legislative act provided and contemplated, then and in that event this gift and all control over the same shall without further act or ceremony at once revert to the St. Paul Library Association.

In Witness Whereof, Said Association has hereto affixed its corporate name and sanction, on this thirteenth day of October, A. D. 1882.

THE ST. PAUL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION,

By Chas. E. Flandrau, Vice-President.
Wm. H. Kelley, Secretary.

The foregoing donation or transfer is on this thirteenth day of October, A. D. 1882, hereby accepted upon all the terms in the above instrument specified, and the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library covenants to hold, preserve and use said property exclusively for the purposes in said instrument and said legislative act prescribed and contemplated.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY,

By Alex. Ramsey, President.
Wm. H. Kelley, Secretary.

LIFE MEMBERS OF THE ST. PAUL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

D. W. Ingersoll.
Henry L. Carver.
M. N. Kellogg, for donation of several years of the Pioneer Press.
John H. Fitz,
Howard H. Cleveland,
Eugenie F. McGrorty,
Otto Sauer,
Delia Chaney,
Arthur Frizelle,
} Donated to valedictorians of the High School by D. W. Ingersoll.
Eveline Prince, valedictorian of the High School, donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
Mrs. Mary E. Hale.
Mrs. Mary F. Richardson.
Hon. C. D. Gilfillan.

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE ST. PAUL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

Hon. Henry M. Rice,
Joseph S. Sewall,
} For valuable donations of books.
Truman M. Smith, in consideration of being a life member of the Y. M. C. A.

SECOND
ANNUAL REPORT.

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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OFFICERS, 1883-4.

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STANDING COMMITTEES, 1883-4.

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MARY E. MCCLOSKEY, Janitor.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Honorable the Members of the Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully submit their second annual report.

The report of a year ago, in order to conform to the law, was made in a short time after the opening of the library to the public, and before the receipt of city funds to operate it, and therefore the financial portion of this report will cover the time from the organization of the institution, Sept. 25, 1882.

Section 7 of the act of the legislature, approved March 4, 1879, requires that "the Board of Directors shall make, on or before the first day of April in each year, an annual report to the City Council, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of March of that year; the various sums of money received from the Library Fund, and other sources, and how such moneys have been expended, and for what purposes; the number of books and periodicals on hand; the number added by purchase, gift or otherwise, during the year; the number lost or missing; the number of persons attending; the number of books loaned out, and the general character and kind of such books, with such other statistics, information and suggestions as they may deem of general interest."

The amount received from the tax of 1882 was $4,793.32; received from fines, lost books paid for and other sources, $568.94; total receipts, $5,362.26. The total expenditures have been $8,272.46, fully exhibited in the hereunto annexed report of the Secretary of the Board. The principal expenditures being for rent, $1,300; liabilities of the St. Paul Library Asso-

ciation, $146.78; salaries, $2,427.70; gas, $548.81; fuel, $316.40; books and periodicals, $746.92; furniture, including fitting up new rooms, $1,460.15; stationery and printing, $273.49; insurance, $159.70; binding books and periodicals, $686.75; miscellaneous, $205,76. We fully believe for these expenditures, probably as much satisfaction has been rendered to the public as this amount of money has ever accomplished.

The books and periodicals now number 8731 volumes; there have been purchased during the year 658 volumes, and 244 have been donated; 196 volumes have been worn out and discarded, and twenty-six lost and paid for, and only three are missing; 3492 persons have taken readerships, of which 1767 are males, and 1725 are females. The number of books loaned out in fourteen months is 62,244, of which 5043 were history and biography, 1090 poetry and drama, 2394 voyages and travels, 48,543 fiction and juveniles, 1477 science and arts, and 3688 were miscellaneous, besides 4125 not classified. The reading-room is now supplied with sixty-four magazines and newspapers, and will be added to as the funds admit. Its frequenters show, in their quiet and orderly behavior, that they duly appreciate the value of this provision of the city government. The number of persons who make use of the privileges of the library is in excess of the anticipations of its friends. Under the old organization there were less than 460 readerships. Further particulars will be found in the report of the Librarian, hereunto annexed.

The necessity of securing larger accommodations, preparing the hall for our occupancy, and the necessary assistance for the library service, has shown that the first appropriation of one-eighth of a mill was insufficient for the purpose, and consequently the warrants we have issued have been in excess of the receipts, and must continue to be so until the proceeds of the tax of 1883 can be made available from the June settlement. The larger part of the outstanding warrants are held by our fellow Director, Henry P. Upham, and to him the public thanks are due for keeping the credit of the Board in the best condition, without any charge for interest for the money advanced.

In our previous report we informed the Council that a lease had been made with D. W. Ingersoll, Esq., for five years for

our present quarters. For this lease we are to pay the sum of twelve hundred dollars a year. The Directors consider themselves very fortunate in securing this hall; it is roomy, well lighted, well proportioned, with a commanding view, and in every respect the most desirable accommodation that could at present be obtained in the city.

The terms of the transfer of their books, made by the Library Association, required that the Directors of the Public Library should assume and provide for the outstanding liabilities of that institution, and the Secretary's report shows that the sum of $146.78 was the total amount required for that purpose. The number of volumes in the Association Library was 8051, for which we paid at the rate of about one cent and four-fifths of a cent a volume, and these 8051 books have furnished the greater part of the 62,244 circulation of the past fourteen months.

We have taken the precaution to place insurance on the books and fixtures to the amount of ten thousand dollars.

A reference department was opened when the library was removed, and a large number of persons have availed themselves of its privileges, including many pupils from the higher grades in our public schools. In all advanced cities the public library is becoming a necessity, and besides being the culmination of the school system, it is the people's university, and here all persons of good deportment and habit, as required by our by-laws, can add to their stock of knowledge, if so inclined. For advanced scholars the collection is yet weak, but every department will be augmented, and the time will soon come when the specialist will be able to find here the books he desires. Our readers are drawn from every class of society, and they come regularly from the remotest suburbs of the city, and carry home its volumes with the highest satisfaction. The younger classes of our population who grow up under the influence of this beneficent institution will have their pride and their local patriotism stimulated by these helps, and will advance with a growing gratitude for the liberality of the Council that has provided so generously for all, and especially for that large body who in the absence of this aid would have been without reading resources.

That the library was a needed want in our city is proved by the use that has been made of its volumes during the past year. The census of 1880 gave St. Paul a population of 41,473, and Chicago 503,185. The year's circulation of the Chicago Public Library for 1882 was 349,977, while our library circulated last year 59,612. As Chicago largely increased in population during the two years subsequent to 1880, and if the two cities have the same proportion of readers to its population, then the census of St. Paul at this time must be nearly 100,000, as otherwise our population must largely exceed that of Chicago in the desire to read. It has been prophesied in regard to the relation that the public libraries hold to population, that "the library will stand side by side with the school, the press and the church, as one of the four great intellectual and moral forces which are moulding the community," and our people seem to be encouraging its fulfillment.

We have every reason to be satisfied with the intelligent devotion to their duties by the Librarian and her assistants.

As the rooms now occupied will be too small before the expiration of our lease in 1888, it is a proper time to suggest to your honorable body that it might be well to secure, if possible, a large portion of the upper story in the contemplated new City Hall for the Public Library, which would answer until the collection was large enough to require a home in a building of its own.

In conclusion, the best judgment has been exercised in the selection of the new purchases, and we shall be gratified to have the assistance of the Council or city authorities, or the public, in the further additions to the library.

On behalf of the Directors,

ALEX. RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

ST. PAUL, March 26, 1884.

SECRETARY'S REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM OCTOBER 1, 1882, TO FEBRUARY 29, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

Fines collected	$481 29		
Lost books paid for	35 50		
Old shelving and other material sold	52 15		
		$568 94	
Credited to Library Fund, March, 1883		$1,242 24	
Credited to Library Fund, June, 1883		3,351 08	
Credited to Library Fund, Sept. 1883		200 00	

EXPENDITURES.

Rent		$1,300 00
Liabilities of St. Paul Library Ass'n		146 78
Salaries Librarian and four assistants, Janitor and Secretary		2,427 70
Gas		548 81
Fuel		316 40
Books		377 85
Periodicals, (two years' subscription)		369 07
Postage and expressage		18 85
Furniture, including fitting up room		1,460 15
Stationery and printing		273 49
Insurance (two years)		159 70
Binding books		378 50
Binding periodicals		308 25
Librarian's contingent, on hand		25 00
Miscellaneous		161 91
Outstanding warrants	$2,911 36	
Balance in city treasury		1 16
	$8,273 62	$8,273 62

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary of the Board of Directors.

ST. PAUL, March 3, 1884.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully submit my annual report as Librarian, embracing the statistics of the library from January 1, 1883, to the close of the official year ending February 29, 1884. The library opened for circulation of books on the 2d day of January, 1883, with 8051 volumes, of which about 6600 were for general circulation, and the remainder were books of reference. The accessions since the opening have been 902 volumes, of which 658 have been bought, and 244 have been given. The number of volumes worn out and discarded was 196, of which all but one were books of prose fiction and juveniles. The number of volumes lost and paid for was 26. The net increase of books, therefore, has been 680 volumes.

DONATIONS.

The donations since the opening of the library to the public have been 244 volumes and 422 pamphlets. A list of the donors and the number of their gifts accompanies this report.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The present number of registered book borrowers is 3492, of which 1767 are males, and 1725 are females; 3444 have deposited certificates of guaranty, and 48 have made a money deposit. Of the latter number 30 have withdrawn their deposit, leaving the number now drawing books on a money deposit 18. The daily average of registration since the opening has been 10. The amount of fines received for the detention of books has been $444.59. The amount received for lost books was $35.50.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library has been open for the circulation of books 345 days. The number of books taken out for home use was 62,244, or an average of about 180 volumes daily. The average daily issues by months were as follows: January, 1883, 82; February, 177; March, 193; April, 162; May, 172; June, 157; July, 156; August, 156; September, 179; October, 188; Novem-

ber, 204; December, 208; January, 1884, 217; February, 255. The largest number of volumes issued in one day was 518 on February 23, 1884.

EXAMINATION OF THE LIBRARY.

In the month of February last an examination of the library was made without calling in the books for that purpose. From the inventory taken it appears that there are three volumes unaccounted for. This number probably represents some mistakes in taking the account, and it is hoped that the books will yet be found.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

A classification has been kept of the books which have been drawn since the library has been open, and the result expressed in percentage has been as follows: History and biography, 8.10; poetry and drama, 1.77; voyages and travels, 3.84; prose fiction and juveniles, 77.99; science and arts, 2.39; miscellaneous, 5.91.

The relative circulation of prose fiction and juveniles by months was as follows: January, 1883, 73.54 per cent; February, 78.25; March, 80.84; April, 80.57; May, 81.33; June, 81.93; July, 82.14; August, 81.45; September, 78.12; October, 77.09; November, 74.64; December, 75.48; January, 1884, 74.80; February, 74.22.

For the fourteen months ending February 29, 1884, it was 77.99, which is a little above the average of similar institutions, and may be accounted for from the fact that the library is more complete in this department than in any other.

READING-ROOM.

The number of serials kept on file in the reading-room is 64, of which 43 are periodicals, and 21 are newspapers. Of the newspapers 3 are dailies, 16 weeklies, and 2 semi-weeklies. A list of all the serials, including periodicals and newspapers, is herewith submitted. The number of books issued for use in the reading-room on week days was 3402. The average daily issues on Sunday was 12. The daily average of visitors to the reading-room on Sundays was 36.

BINDING.

During the year there have been bound 1025 volumes, of which 142 were periodicals, 66 newspapers, and the remainder miscellaneous books; 26 volumes have been repaired.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Since the removal of the library, and setting apart a room for this department, there has been a marked increase in the number of persons availing themselves of its privileges. No attempt has been made to keep a record of the number of visitors, and as the readers have free access to most of the books in this department, no account could be kept of the number of volumes consulted. The want of a sufficient catalogue of the books in the library makes it a duty as it is a pleasure to give all possible assistance to those using the books for reference and study in the rooms.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

DONATIONS.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Allen, Maj. C. J	...	1
Boston Public Library	1	...
Brighton, England, Mayor of	1	...
Bureau of Education	...	5
Chicago Public Library	...	1
Department of the Interior	...	2
Eaton, Gen. J., Washington, D. C	...	1
Estabrook, John D	...	6
Folwell, W. W., Pres. State University	...	1
Galusha, Howard	1	...
Gannett, Rev. W. C	105	...
Harlow, Mrs. Mary	10	...
Hewett, Hon. A. L., for the late Peter Cooper	1	...
Jackson, Frederick	1	...
Kellogg, M. N	1	...
Knox, Hon. J. J., Washington, D. C	2	...
Loring, Hon. Geo. B., Washington, D. C	2	...
Lyon, F. P	2	...
Mann, Walter	19	...
Milwaukee Public Library	...	2
Mitchell, Rev. E. C	...	3
Ramsey, Hon. Alex	...	2
St. Paul Book & Stationery Co	2	...
San Francisco Public Library	1	...
Smithsonian Institute	7	...
Topping, E. S	1	...
Tousley, O. V., Supt. of Schools, Minneapolis	...	1
Truesdell, E. L	14	358
Tucker, Mrs. S. D., Worcester, Mass	1	...
Upham, Henry P	2	...
Washburn, Hon. W. D	66	...
Willard, Chas. W	1	...

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING-ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

American Journal of Science; Architect and Building News; Art Amateur; Atlantic Monthly; Catholic Quarterly Review; Catholic World; Century Magazine; Chicago Lithographer and Printer (gift); Eclectic Magazine; Education; Folio (gift); Harper's Bazar; Harper's Magazine; Harper's Weekly; Harper's Young People; International Review; Library Journal; Lippincott Magazine; Literary World; Littell's Living Age; Methodist Quarterly Review; N.Y. Nation; Naturalist; Nature; New York Semi-Weekly Tribune; New York Semi-Weekly World; North American Review; Northwestern Chronicle (gift); Official Gazette (gift); Popular Science Monthly; Presbyterian Review; Princeton Review; Publisher's Weekly; Saint Nicholas; St. Paul Dispatch; St. Paul Globe; St. Paul Pioneer Press; Sanitary Engineer; Scientific American; Scientific American Supplement; Science; Signs of the Times (gift); The Current; Unitarian Review (gift); Unity (gift); Youth's Companion; Woman's Journal (gift).

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Art Journal; Athenæum; Blackwood's Magazine; British Quarterly; Chamber's Journal; Contemporary Review; Cornhill Magazine; Edinburgh Review; Fortnightly Review; Gentlemen's Magazine; Illustrated London News; Quarterly Review; Macmillan's Magazine; Nineteenth Century; Notes and Queries; Punch; Westminster Review.

THIRD
ANNUAL REPORT.

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

	Term Expires.
ALEXANDER RAMSEY	1885
CHARLES E. OTIS	1886
MAURICE AUERBACH	1887
*PETER BERKEY	1886
HENRY L. CARVER	1887
HENRY P. UPHAM	1885
JAMES P. POND	1887
JOHN D. O'BRIEN	1886
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT	1885

OFFICERS, 1884–5.

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WILLIAM H. KELLEY, Secretary.

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GRACE A. SPAULDING, MABEL K. FORD, CHARLES J. INGLES, Assistants.

EDWARD E. RANDALL, Assistant for Sundays.

MARY E. MCCLOSKEY, Janitor.

*D. A. Robertson, resigned.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Honorable the Members of the Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully submit their third annual report.

In conformity with section 7 of the act of the legislature, approved March 4, 1879, which requires that "the Board of Directors shall make, on or before the first day of April in each year, an annual report to the City Council, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of March of that year," we have to state that we have received from the library fund $8,856.04; from fines collected, lost books paid for and other sources, $583.97; total, $9,440.01; which has been expended as follows: Rent, $1200; salaries, $2,089.43; books and periodicals, $1,562.89; gas and fuel, $559.51; binding, $514.90; furniture and repairs, $267.95; stationery and printing, $172.67; insurance, $100; postage and express, $12.12; miscellaneous, $49.18, and last year's outstanding warrants, $2,911.36. Our last annual report will show that this indebtedness was caused through the necessity of securing larger accommodations, preparing the hall for occupancy, and the necessary assistance for the library service. the 450 readerships of the Library Association having been increased ten-fold under the Public Library management, and the first appropriation of $5000 having to cover a period of seventeen months, proving to be too small for the purpose. A more detailed statement of the disbursements is shown in the hereunto annexed report of the Secretary of the Board.

The number of books and periodicals on hand is 9598, the purchases having been 785, and the gifts 361, making a total of 1146. Two books have been stolen from the reference library. Seven others from the circulating department were unaccounted for on the date of the Librarian's report to the Board, but four of the seven have been found since, and 255 have been worn out and discarded. The readerships number 4145. The number of books taken home have been 61,945; 2383 have been used in the reading-room on week days, and 667 on Sundays. Of the number taken home 5879 have been history and biography,

3165 voyages and travels, 1668 science and arts, 1154 poetry and drama, 4098 miscellaneous, and 46,081 fiction and juveniles. For other information the report of the Librarian, hereunto annexed, gives full particulars, showing an increase in every department when compared with the report of last year.

During the past year several classified lists have been prepared of the books in the library that are the most suitable for advanced pupils in the public schools, and there has been a constant demand for them since they were printed. A half dozen copies each of a few of the books have been purchased, and the Directors will always keep in mind the welfare of this class of readers in their selections for the increase of the library.

A determination to have the cost of administration kept to the lowest point consistent with the welfare of the library has led to a comparison with similar institutions, using the latest report of each that has been received. A computation to show the percentage of salaries to expenditures, also the cost of books and binding to expenditures, gives the following result with six libraries:

No. 1, salaries 57 per cent; books and binding, 24 per cent.
No. 2, salaries 46 per cent; books and binding, 34 per cent.
No. 3, salaries 39 per cent; books and binding, 35 per cent.
No. 4, salaries 37 per cent; books and binding, 31 per cent.
No. 5, salaries 34 per cent; books and binding, 29 per cent.
St. Paul, salaries 32 per cent; books and binding, 32 per cent.

The ample appropriation made by your Honorable Council for the support of the library for its ensuing financial year warrants the assurance on the part of the Directors that the percentage of books purchased will be largely in excess of any of the libraries in the above list. There needs no assurance that the character of the books will be of the best, as among the 1146 added last year there were only 167 of prose fiction, about 14½ per cent.

In conclusion, we repeat from our last report that the Board will be gratified to have the assistance of the Council, or city authorities, or the public, in the further additions to the library.

ALEX. RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

ST. PAUL, March 14, 1885.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1885.

1884.	March 3. Bal. in City Treasury, Library Fund	$ 1 16	
	Credited to Library Fund, March settlement	3,020 39	
	Credited to Library Fund, June settlement	6,000 00	
	Credited to Library Fund, October settlement	667 19	
1885.	Feb. 28. Fines collected	537 41	
	Rec'd for lost and damaged books	34 05	
	Rec'd for old stove	9 00	
	Rec'd for finding lists	3 51	

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for rent		$ 1,200 00
salaries		2,089 43
books		1,305 84
periodicals		257 05
gas		364 01
fuel		195 50
binding books		381 90
binding periodicals		133 00
furniture and repairs		267 95
stationery and printing		137 67
insurance		100 00
finding lists		35 00
postage and expressage		12 12
miscellaneous		49 18
		$6,528 65
Paid last year's outst'd'g warrants		2,911 36
Balance in City Treasury		832 70
	$10,272 71	$10,272 71

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully submit my second annual report as Librarian, containing the statistics of the library for the official year ending February 28, 1885.

BOOKS.

The number of bound volumes in the library as reported at the close of last year was 8731. The accessions during the year just past were 1146 volumes, of which 785 have been bought, and 361 have been given. The number of volumes worn out and discarded was 255, all of which were books of prose fiction and juveniles. The number of volumes lost and paid for was 24. The net increase of books, therefore, has been 867 volumes, making the number now in the library 9598.

The following is a classified list of the accessions during the year:

1.	History	95
2.	Biography	75
3.	Poetry and Drama	35
4.	Essays and Miscellanies	51
5.	Voyages and Travels	68
6.	Language and Literature	17
7.	Fine Arts	18
8.	Practical Arts	5
9.	Natural Science	31
10.	Practical and Social Science	18
11.	Mental and Moral Science	7
12.	Ancient Classics	16
13.	Religion	15
14.	Periodicals, including Newspapers	189
15.	Public Documents	308
16.	Bibliography	6
17.	Dictionaries and Cyclopedias	25
18.	Prose Fiction	167
	Total	1,146

DONATIONS.

The donations during the year have been 361 volumes and 90 pamphlets. A list of the donors and the number of their gifts is appended to this report.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The number of registered book borrowers reported last year was 3492. The number of registrations during the past year has been 1929, of which 1040 were males, and 889 females; making a total registration of 5421 book borrowers. Of the cards issued on these registrations 1276 have been cancelled, the two years for which they were issued having expired, leaving 4145 cards now nominally in force. The amount of fines received for the detention of books has been $537.41. The amount received for lost books was $33.60. For damaged books 45 cents.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library has been open for the circulation of books 308 days. The number of books taken out for home use was 61,945, an average of about 201 volumes daily. The average daily issues by months were as follows: March, 258; April, 180; May, 188; June, 215; July, 180; August, 181; September, 180; October, 182; November, 206; December, 193; January, 220; February, 222. The least number of volumes issued in one day was 57, on May 30, 1884, and the largest 426, on February 14, 1885.

EXAMINATION OF THE LIBRARY.

The annual examination of the library was made in the month of February last. From the inventory taken it appears that there are seven volumes unaccounted for. As the books were not called in for the purpose, this number probably represents some mistake in taking the account, and it is hoped that most of them will yet be found. Of the books unaccounted for the previous year all have since appeared.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

A classification of the circulation has been kept during the year with the following result, expressed in percentage:

History and Biography	9.49
Voyages and Travels	5.11
Science and Arts	2.69
Poetry and Drama	1.86
Prose Fiction and Juveniles	74.39
Miscellaneous	6.46
Total	100.00

The relative circulation of prose fiction by months was as follows: March, 74.38 per cent; April, 72.75; May, 78.56; June, 63.90; July, 79.72; August, 78.56; September, 76.94; October, 73.65; November, 72.63; December, 76.18; January, 75.29; February, 72.75. For the twelve months ending February 28, 1885, it was 74.39, which is less than the last report, but a little above the average of similar institutions.

READING-ROOM.

The number of serials kept on file in the reading-room is 66, of which 7 are quarterlies, 28 are monthlies, 2 semi-monthlies, 24 weeklies, 2 semi-weeklies, and 3 dailies. A list of all the serials, including periodicals and newspapers, is herewith submitted.

The number of books issued for use in the reading room on week days was 2383. The average daily issues on Sundays was 13. The daily average of visitors to the reading-room on Sundays was 57.

BINDING.

There have been bound during the year 902 volumes, of which 221 were periodicals, including newspapers, and the remainder miscellaneous books. Twenty-five volumes have been repaired at the bindery. No account has been kept of the many volumes that have been repaired by the library attendants.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

There has been a large increase in the use of the books for reference. No account has been kept of the number of persons who have visited this department. As a large part of the books are accessible without the aid of attendants, no account could be kept of the number of volumes consulted. The free access of visitors to the books in the reference room has apparently been a source of great satisfaction to the public, but it has been attended this year by the loss of two books that have mysteriously disappeared from the shelves.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

By comparing these statistics with the report of last year, it will be seen that the number of persons making use of the library is 653 greater than at the close of the last report; that the average daily circulation of books has increased 12 per cent; that the circulation of prose fiction has fallen of about 4 per cent; and that the average number of visitors on Sundays has increased from 36 in 1883–4 to 57 of this year.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

DONATIONS.

	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
Alden, E. and Brothers, Cincinnati, O	2	...
Boston Public Library	..	2
Bureau of Education	1	14
Base, W. W	1	...
Clark, E. W., Washington, D. C	1	...
Daniels, Miss A. H	6	...
Folwell, Prof. W. W., Minneapolis, Minn	...	1
Gannett, Rev. W. C	13	2
Gere, E. S	1	...
Gilman, V. C	...	1
Hall, L. W	207	43
Ingles, H. L	3	...
Jackson, F	...	1
Kelley, W. H	1	...
Knox, H. M	...	1
Mitchell, Rev. E. C	...	4
Morgan, Appleton	...	2
Noyes, S. B., Brooklyn, N. Y	...	11
Pond, J. P	15	...
Putnam, H., Minneapolis	1	...
Ramsey, Hon. Alex	...	1
Randall, H. E	1	...
San Francisco Free Library	...	1
Sewall, J. S	2	...
Unitarian Association	3	...
Unknown	...	3
Upham, Warren, Minneapolis	...	1
U. S. Commissioner of Patents	19	...
U. S. Interior Department	15	...
U. S. War Department	...	1
Washburn, Hon. W. D	68	1
Wilstach, J. S	2	...

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING-ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

American Journal of Science; Architect and Building News; Art Amateur; Atlantic Monthly; Catholic Quarterly Review; Catholic World; Century Magazine; Eclectic Magazine; Education; Engineering News; Folio (gift); Harper's Bazar; Harper's Magazine; Harper's Weekly; Harper's Young People; Library Journal; Lippincott's Magazine; Literary News; Literary World; Littell's Living Age; Magazine of American History; Methodist Quarterly Review; New York Nation; Naturalist; Nature; New England Journal of Education (gift); New York Semi-Weekly Tribune; New York Semi-Weekly World; North American Review; Northwest (gift); Northwestern Chronicle (gift); Official Gazette (gift); Popular Science Monthly; Presbyterian Review; Publisher's Weekly; St. Nicholas; St. Paul Dispatch; St. Paul Globe (gift); St. Paul Pioneer Press; Sanitary Engineer; Scientific American; Scientific American Supplement; Science; Signs of the Times (gift); The Current; Unitarian Review (gift); Unity (gift); Woman's Journal (gift); Youth's Companion.

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Art Journal; Athenæum; Blackwood's Magazine; British Quarterly Review; Chamber's Journal; Contemporary Review; Cornhill Magazine; Edinburgh Review; Fortnightly Review; Gentleman's Magazine; Illustrated London News; Macmillan's Magazine; Nineteenth Century; Notes and Queries; Punch; Quarterly Review; Westminster Review.

APPENDIX.

The Young Men's Christian Association

was organized in 1856, and kept a free reading room until 1858, when the reading room was given up.

In 1861 the Association procured a room in Ingersoll's Block and opened a circulating library with about 500 new books, which were increased from year to year.

The Mercantile Library Association

was organized Sept. 18, 1857, for the benefit of those engaged in mercantile pursuits. It commenced with a reading room, and about 300 books on its shelves, mostly the contributions of its friends. The first officers were Harwood Iglehart, Pesident; Westcott Wilkin and D. J. Justice, Vice-Presidents; D. C. Jones, Corresponding Secretary, R. G. Sharp, Recording Secretary; James P. Pond, Treasurer.

The Association increased its books very slowly until 1862, when the Directors made extra effort and raised funds enough to purchase about 400 new books.

The St. Paul Library Association

was organized on the 30th of October, 1863, by the union of the libraries of the Young Men's Christian Association and of the Mercantile Library Association, each library at the union having about 1000 volumes. The Directors of both Associations felt the necessity of uniting their energies into one institution, which would at once take its place among the public institutions of the city, and afford reading facilities equal to the demands of the public. A proposition for a conference of Directors was made by the Y. M. C. A., and accepted by the M. L. A. At the conference the members present were, D. W. Ingersoll, H. M. Knox, Geo. W. Prescott, E. Eggleston, W. S. Potts, D. D. Merrill, H. Knox Taylor and T. D. Simonton of

the Y. M. C. A., and D. A. Robertson, Wm. Dawson, J. P. Pond, R. F. Crowell, W. B. Dean, D. Ramaley, R. O. Strong and C. E. Mayo of the M. L. A. The result of the conference being an agreement upon the propositions made by the M. L. A. on October 26, and concurred in by the Y. M. C. A. The following officers were then elected to serve for the remainder of the year: D. W. Ingersoll, President; D. A. Robertson, Vice-President; C. E. Mayo, Recording Secretary; E. Eggleston, Corresponding Secretary and Librarian; Wm. Dawson, Treasurer. Committees were then appointed on Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and By-Laws, Library and Finance.

The first catalogue was printed in 1864, containing 3136 volumes. The amount raised from the sale of shares had enabled the Association to add about 1000 volumes.

The same obstacles that prevented the growth of the two libraries still existed, but as the workers in the former had been united in the Board of Directors of the new library, they labored in harmony, and as some dropped out of the Board, other valuable members were elected to their places. After the hard labor of eighteen years, they had succeeded in adding only 5000 volumes to the collection.

In September, 1879, an appeal was made to the City Council to establish a free library, an offer being made of the 8000 volumes as a beginning for the new institution. The subject was referred to a committee who reported against it at the Council meeting of October 21.

In 1882 another attempt was made, and on the fifth of September the City Council passed a resolution and appropriated $5000 to establish a Public Library, by a vote of eight yeas to two nays.

OFFICERS.

1864.

D. W. Ingersoll, President; D. A. Robertson, Vice-President; Wm. B. Dean, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; Wm. Dawson, Treasurer; Charles E. Mayo, Geo. W. Prescott, Edward Eggleston, Morris Lamprey, Henry M. Knox, David Ramaley, Wm. S. Potts, Directors.

1865.

Chas. E. Mayo, President; Geo. W. Prescott, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; Wm. Dawson, Treasurer; Wm. B. Dean, Russell Blakely, J. I. Beaumont, D. Ramaley, J. P. Pond; H. K. Taylor, D. D. Merrill, Directors.

1866.

Russell Blakeley, President; J. P. Pond, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; Chas. E. Mayo, Wm. B. Dean, *D. Ramaley, Geo. A. Hamilton, T. C. Field, †Geo. W. Prescott, D. D. Merrill, Directors.

*Resigned. Geo. L. Farwell, elected.
†Resigned. J. D. Ludden, elected.

1867.

Geo. A. Hamilton, President; Wm. B. Dean, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; R. Blakeley, T. C. Field, Geo. W. Prescott, D. Ramaley, C. E. Mayo, J. P. Pond, W. R. Wood, Directors.

1868.

Wm. B. Dean, President; C. E. Mayo, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; Geo. A. Hamilton, H. P. Upham, T. C. Field, J. P. Pond, Geo. L. Farwell, Geo. C. Mott, Wm. R. Wood, Directors.

1869.

H. M. Knox, President; H. P. Upham, Vice-President; Wm. B. Dean, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; C. E. Mayo, Geo. L. Farwell, T. C. Field, *Geo. C. Mott, J. P. Pond, Edward Sawyer, Henry L. Williams, Directors.

*Died. C. H Sweeser elected to fill vacancy.

1870.

J. P. Pond, President; H. L. Williams, Vice-President; Wm. B. Dean, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; C. E. Mayo, T. C. Field, H. M. Knox, R. O. Sweeney, P. F. McQuillan, D. Ramaley, C. Seabury, Directors.

1871.

Wm. H. Kelley, President; D. Ramaley, Vice-President; Wm. B. Dean, Corresponding Secretary; C. Seabury, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; H. M. Knox, T. C. Field, H. L. Williams, J. P. Pond, C. E. Mayo, J. B. Phillips, R. O. Sweeney, Directors.

1872.

T. C. Field, President; Henry A. Castle, Vice-President; Wm. H. Kelley, Corresponding Secretary; H. L. Williams, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; H. M. Knox, C. E. Mayo, J. P. Pond, J. B. Phillips, Wm. R. Merriam, Wm. B. Dean, H. R. Brill, Directors.

1873.

Henry A. Castle, President; H. R. Brill, Vice-President; *Wm. H. Kelley, Corresponding Secretary; H. L. Williams, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; Henry L. Carver, C. S. Bunker, T. C. Field, H. M. Knox, C. E. Mayo, Wm. B. Dean, J. W. White, Directors.

*Resigned. Moved to Washington, D. C.

1874.

H. K. Taylor, President; H. L. Carver, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; H. L. Williams, Recording Secretary; C. E. Mayo, Treasurer; H. A. Castle, B. F. Wright, H. R. Brill, Wm. B. Dean, R. O. Sweeny, J. P. Pond, T. C. Field, Directors.

1875.

H. R. Brill, President; B. F. Wright, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; H. C. Eller, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor Treasurer; C. M. Terry, *Jas. R. Walsh, C. E. Otis, R. O. Sweeney, J. P. Pond, †E. G. Rogers, M. N. Kellogg, Directors.

*Resigned. P. R. L. Hardenburgh, elected.
†Resigned. H. L. Pilkington, elected.

1876.

B. F. Wright, President; *H. L. Pilkington, Vice-President; H. M. Knox, Corresponding Secretary; H. C. Eller, Recording Secretary; C. E. Rittenhouse, Treasurer; C. E. Mayo, H. A. Castle, H. K. Taylor, S. S. Taylor, J. P. Pond, S. C. Williams, R. O. Sweeny, Directors.

*Resigned. A. H. Merrick, elected.

1877.

Alex. Ramsey, President; C. H. Bigelow, Vice-President; S. C. Williams, Corresponding Secretary; H. C. Eller, Recording Secretary; H. K. Taylor, Treasurer; C. E. Mayo, H. M. Knox, B. F. Wright, Richards Gordon, *A. H. Merrick, D. A. Robertson, S. S. Taylor, Directors.

*Resigned. Wm. D. Cornish, elected.

1878.

Alex. Ramsey, President; W. D. Cornish, Vice-President; S. C. Williams, Corresponding Secretary; C. H. Boardman, Recording Secretary; B. F. Wright, Treasurer; D. A. Robertson, H. C. Eller, J. P. Pond, H. M. Knox, C. E. Mayo, Chas. E. Otis, H. K. Taylor, Directors.

1879.

Alex. Ramsey, President; W. D. Cornish, Vice-President; *S. C. Williams, Corresponding Secretary; †C. H. Boardman, Recording Secretary; B. F. Wright, Treasurer; D. A. Robertson, C. E. Otis, H. K. Taylor, J. P. Boyle, H. A. Castle, C. N. Bell, Wm. H. Kelley, Directors.

*Resigned. H. Hale, elected.
†Resigned. Stanford Newel, elected.

1880.

Henry Hale, President; C. C. Andrews, Vice-President; J. F. Williams, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; B. F. Wright, Treasurer; John S. Prince, Geo. A. Hamilton, John D. O'Brien, H. K. Taylor, M. M. Dana, Wm. H. Oxley, Geo. W. Lamson, Directors.

1881.

Alex. Ramsey, President; C. C. Andrews, Vice-President; Geo. W. Lamson, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; B. F. Wright, Treasurer; W. H. Oxley, Chas. E. Flandrau, M. D. Kenyon, E. F. Drake, H. K. Taylor, John D. O'Brien, Jas. R. Walsh, Directors.

1882.

Alex. Ramsey, President; Chas. E. Flandrau, Vice-President; Geo. W. Lamson, Corresponding Secretary; Wm. H. Kelley, Recording Secretary; B. F. Wright, Treasurer; F. Willius, H. K. Taylor, John D. O'Brien, M. D. Kenyon, F. A. Fogg, Chas. N. Bell, Geo. C. Squires, Directors.

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OFFICERS 1886.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, PRESIDENT.

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WILLIAM H. KELLEY, SECRETARY.

STANDING COMMITTEES—1886-7.

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Grace A. Spaulding, Mabel K. Ford, Charles J. Ingles, Assistants.

Edward E. Randall, Assistant for Sundays.

Mary E. McCluskey, Janitor.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT.

To the Honorable the President and Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this, their Fourth Annual Report.

Section 7 of the act of the Legislature, approved March 4, 1879, requires that, "the Board of Directors shall make, on or before the first day of April in each year, an annual report to the City Council, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of March of that year." In conformity with the requirements of this law, we have to state that, we have received from the Library Fund, between March 1st, 1885, and March 1st, 1886, the sum of $7,973.45; from fines collected, lost books paid for, and other resources, $551.39; total, $8,524.84; which has been expended as follows, to-wit: For rent, $1,200; salaries, $2,449.27; books and periodicals, $3,271.68; gas and fuel, $668.25; binding, $387.95; furniture and repairs, $227.30; stationery and printing, $148.92; insurance, $100; postage and expressage. $13.98; miscellaneous, $57.49. A more detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements is shown in the Report of the Secretary of the Board, hereunto annexed. Of the balance shown therein, to the credit of the Library Fund, $2,500 has been apportioned for the purchase of books during the current quarter.

The number of books and periodicals on hand, is 11,254: those purchased having been 1,710, and donated, 159, making 1869 as the total of additions. A larger number would have been reported if all that had been ordered could have been procured. Several are works of early editions that are becoming rare and difficult to obtain, without some delay. The proportion of fiction that has been added the past year,

is eleven and one-fourth per cent.; the previous year, it was fourteen and one-half per cent. Nine volumes were unaccounted for, at the annual examination of the Library, and 191 have been worn out. These, with the accumulation of last year, have been accepted by some of the city institutions, to be perused by their inmates. The readerships number 4,146; the number of books taken home, has been 54,927; the number used in the Reading-Room on secular days has been 3,303, and 1,029 on Sundays. Of the number taken home, 5,646 have been history and biography; 2,600, voyages and travels; 1,580, science and arts; 1,066, poetry and drama; 3,333, miscellaneous; and 40,702, fiction and juveniles. For fuller and more detailed information under this head, you are respectfully referred to the Report of the Librarian, hereunto annexed.

The desire of giving the public the full benefit of the Library as soon as the transfer was made from the St. Paul Library Association, was the cause of the books not being classified at that time, which would have required the closing of the Library for some months, a re-numbering of the books, and the making and printing a Catalogue. The increase of the Library has now made the classification imperative, and all purchases made since June last, have been thus recorded, and the old books will be brought into the arrangement, as facilities admit, without interfering with their circulation.

A "Card Catalogue" has been commenced, which will contain the title, author and subject of every book in the Libray, and, when practicable, any particular item of its contents, so that an investigator can be readily referred to all the books in the Library that contain the subject in which he is interested. This is the only kind of Catalogue that can be kept complete in a Library where additions are constantly being made, each being put into its proper place in the alphabet before the book is ready for circulation.

In our estimation, the Library is a necessary sequence of the Public School System, and no intelligent man would think of abandoning either. The child of the humblest and

poorest citizen of St. Paul has ready access to the best literature in the English language, which we trust to be able, in its accumulation, to keep pace with the rapid increase of our population. The Library has surmounted the difficulties that were in its way at the time of its organization, and it has now reached a point from whence its increase in the future must be considerable, and permanent and more secure quarters will be eventually necessary; a fact which it would be well for the people and Council to contemplate and prepare for in advance.

ALEX. RAMSEY, *President.*

WM. H. KELLEY, *Secretary.*

St. Paul, March 6th, 1886.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

Report of the Secretary for the year ending February 28. 1886.

RECEIPTS.

1885.	March.	Balance to credit of Library Fund	$ 832.70
		March settlement to " "	2,850.00
		June " " " "	6,000.00
		October " " " "	853.42
1886.	Feb. 28.	Fines collected	529.14
		Lost books paid for	19.45
		Finding lists sold	2.00
		Damage to book	60
Total			$11,087.51

DISBURSEMENTS.

1886.	Feb. 28.	Rent	$1,200.00
		Gas Light	454.25
		Fuel	214.00
		Salaries	2,449.27
		Books	2,887.42
		Periodicals	384.26
		Stationery and Printing	148.92
		Binding books	227.40
		Binding Periodicals	160.55
		Postage and Expressage	13.98
		Furniture and repairs	227.30
		Insurance	100.00
		Miscellaneous	57.49
		Balance to credit of Library Fund	2,562.67
Total			$11,087.51

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

ST. PAUL, March 6, 1886.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully submit my Third Annual Report as Librarian, giving the statistics and work of the Library for the official year ending February 28, 1886.

The past year has been one of gradual increase in the work of the Library, in most of its departments. Many more volumes have been added than during either of the previous years, and the accessions have been, mainly, books of permanent value. Some progress has been made in the effort to establish closer relations with the Public Schools. Teachers from the High School have brought their classes to the Library for study in their school work. Works of reference, illustrated works, and any possible helps which the Library can afford, have been freely offered, and zealously used. The important and growing use of the Library for reference, by the various study-classes and clubs in the city, indicates that the Library, like the Public Schools, is coming to be regarded as an important factor in the education of the people. Following the order of previous Reports, I submit the following statistics of the work of the past year:

BOOKS.

The number of bound volumes in the Library at the close of the last Report, was 9,598. The accessions during the past year, were 1,869 volumes, of which, 1,710 have been bought, and 159 given. The number of volumes worn out and discarded, was 191. The number of volumes lost and paid for, was 22. The net increase of books, therefore, has been 1,656 volumes, making the number now in the Library, 11,254. During the year, 200 discarded books have been sent to the Jail, and 90 to the Work House. The following is a classified list of the accessions during the year:

History	247
Biography	225
Poetry and Drama	153
Essays and Miscellanies	44
Voyages and Travels	108
Collected Works	8
Language and History of Literature	40
Fine Arts	40
Practical Arts	68
Natural Science	77
Political and Social Science	76
Mental and Moral Science, Education, &c	20
Ancient Classics	31
Religion	46
Medicine	31
Law	5
Periodicals and Newspapers	151
Public Documents and State Papers	116
Bibliography	11
Dictionaries, and other works of reference	102
French Literature	1
Prose Fiction, and Juveniles	210
To replace books worn out, (not classified,)	59
Total	1869

DONATIONS.

During the year, there have been donated 159 volumes, and 48 pamphlets. A list of the donors and the number of their gifts is appended to this Report.

BOOK-BORROWERS.

The number of registered book-borrowers reported last year, was 4,145. The number of registrations during the past year, has been 2,217, of which, 1,149 were males, and 1,068 females,making a total registration of 6,362 book-borrowers. Of the cards issued on these registrations 2,216 have been cancelled, the two years for which they were issued

having expired, leaving 4,146 cards now nominally in force. The amount of fines received for the detention of books has been $529.14. The amount received for lost books has been $19.65. For damaged books 60 cents. For finding lists $2.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library has been open for the circulation of books 307 days. The number of books taken out for home use was 54,927, an average of about 180 volumes daily. The average daily issue by months was as follows: March, 228; April, 202; May, 176; June, 160; July, 152; August, 160; September, 161; October, 168; November, 182; December, 166; January 1866, 169; February, 192.

The usual examination of the Library was made in January. At the present time nine volumes are yet unaccounted for. Judging from the experience of the preceding years, it is probable that most of them will yet be found.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

A classification of the circulation during the past year shows the following result expressed in percentage.

History and Biography	10.28
Voyages and Travels	4.74
Arts and Sciences	2.86
Poetry and Drama	1.95
Prose Fiction, and Juveniles	74.10
Miscellaneous	6.07

The relative circulation of Prose Fiction by months was as follows: March, 73.61; April, 70.12; May, 82,31; June, 76.32; July, 75.74; August, 79.31; September, 73.33; October, 69.88; November, 69.16; December, 72.49; January 1866, 74.61; February, 73.77.

For the twelve months ending February 28, 1886, it was 74.10, for the previous year 74.39.

READING ROOM.

Forty new serials have been added during the past year, making the number now on file in the reading room, 103. Of

these 11 are quarterlies, one bi-monthly, 51 monthlies, one semi-monthly, 33 weeklies, two semi-weeklies, and four dailies. A list of all the serials, including periodicals and newspapers is herewith submitted.

The number of books issued for use in the reading room on week days, was 3,303. The average daily issues on Sundays was 86. The daily average of visitors to the reading room on Sundays was 72.

BINDING.

There have been bound during the year, 642 volumes, of of which 160 were periodicals, including newspapers, and the remainder miscellaneous books. Nineteen volumes were repaired at the bindery, and 1,557 volumes at the Library.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

LIST OF DONATIONS.

	Vols.	Pamph.
Baumbach, Von. Hon. F	23	
Boston Public Library		4
Brooklyn (N. Y.) Library		3
Bureau of Education		26
Chicago Public Library		2
Corthell, E. L		2
Crunden, F. N. (Cinn)		1
Fenton, W	1	
Gannett, Rev. W. C	3	
Hart, H. H	1	
Hall, L. W	6	
Hill, A. J	6	
Interior Department	32	
Kelley, Miss Emma L	2	
Kelley, W. H	13	
Kierman, T. J		1
Leeds, J. W	1	
Mitchell, Rev. E. C		2
Newton, (Mass.) Free Library		1
Pool, W. F. (Chicago)		2
Schlick, Jr., F	5	
Sewell, J. S	6	
Smithsonian Institute	1	1

Truesdell, E. L.	6	
Unknown	24	
Washburn, Hon. W. D.	27	3
West Publishing Co.	1	
Winchell, Prof. N. H.	1	

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

American Agriculturist,
American Journal of Archaeology,
American Journal of Science,
Andover Review,
Architect and Building News,
Army and Navy Journal,
Art Amateur,
Atlantic Monthly,
Baptist Quarterly,
Carpentry and Building,
Catholic Quarterly Review,
Catholic World,
Century,
Chautauquan,
Chicago Daily Tribune,
Critic,
Decorator and Furnisher,
Eclectic Magazine,
Education,
Electrician and Electrical Engineer,
Engineering News,
Folio, (Gift),
Harper's Bazar,
Harper's Monthly,
Harper's Weekly,
Harper's Young People,
Journal of Chemistry,
Journal of Speculative Philosophy,
Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper,
Leslie's New Popular Monthly,
Library Journal,
Life,
Lippincott's Magazine,
Literary News,
Literary World,
Naturalist,
Nature,
New England Jour. of Educat'n (Gift)
New Jerusalem Magazine,
New Princeton Review,
New York Nation,
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune,
New York Semi-Weekly World,
North American Review,
North Western Chronicle, (Gift)
Official Gazette, (Gift)
Overland Monthly,
Popular Science Monthly,
Popular Science News,
Presbyterian Review,
Publisher's Weekly,
Puck,
Queries,
St. Nicholas,
St. Paul Dispatch,
St. Paul Globe,
St. Paul Pioneer Press,
Sanitary Engineer,
Scientific American and Supplement,
Science,
Shakesperiana,
The Current,
The Churchman,
The Dial,
The Index,
Unitarian Review, (Gift)
Uuity, (Gift)
Universalist Quarterly,
VanNostrand's Engineering Magazine
Wide-Awake,

Littell's Living Age,
Magazine of American History,
Methodist Quarterly Review,
Modern Houses,
Woman's Journal, (Gift)
Woman's Tribune, (Gift)
Youth's Companion.

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Art Journal,
Athenæum,
Blackwood's Magazine,
British Quarterly Review.
Chambers's Journal,
Contemporary Review,
Cornhill Magazine.
Edinburgh Review,
English Mech'ic and World of Science
Fortnightly Review,
Genealogist,
Gentleman's Magazine,
Geological Magazine,
Good Words,
Illustrated London News,
Journal of Botany,
Longman's Magazine,
Macmillan's Magazine,
Numismatic Chronicle,
Nineteenth Century,
Notes and Queries,
Punch,
Quarterly Review.
Sanitary Record,
Telegraphic Journal and Elec. Rev'w.
Westminster Review.

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FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1887.

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D. RAMALEY & SON, PRINTERS,
GLOBE JOB OFFICE,
1887.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

MAURICE AUERBACH	Term expires April 30, 1887
HENRY L. CARVER	" " " " "
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OFFICERS, 1886.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, *President.*
MAURICE AUERBACH, *Vice-President.*
WILLIAM H. KELLEY, *Secretary.*

STANDING COMMITTEES—1886-7.

BUILDING—Auerbach, Pond and Cullen.
ADMINISTRATION—O'Brien, Wright and Ramsey.
LIBRARY—Upham, Carver and Monfort.
FINANCE—Wright, Monfort and Upham.
BY-LAWS—Carver, Pond and O'Brien.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE, Librarian.

Miss M. E. Hodges, Jennie E. Randall, Mabel K. Ford, Charles J. Ingles, Assistants.

Edward E. Randall, Assistant for Sundays.

Anna T. McCluskey, Janitor.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the President and Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this their fifth annual report.

The act of the legislature to provide for the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries and reading rooms, approved March 4, 1879, requires that "the Board of Directors shall make, on or before the first day of April in each year, an annual report to the City Council, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of March of that year," and the following statistics are in conformity with the requirements of this law. We have received from the library fund between March 1, 1886, and March 1, 1887, the sum of $9,409.30; from fines collected, lost books paid for and other sources, $651.50; total, $10,060.80, which has been expended as follows, to-wit: For rent, $1,200; salaries, $2,802.67; books and periodicals,

$4,080.53; gas and fuel, $593.20; binding, $454.25; furniture and repairs, $362.82; stationery and printing, $141.76; insurance, $130; postage and expressage, $38.17; finding lists, $180; miscellaneous, $77.40. A more detailed statement of the receipts and disbursements is shown in the report of the Secretary of the Board, hereunto annexed. Of the balance shown therein to the credit of the library fund, $2,000 has been apportioned for the purchase of books during the current quarter.

The number of books and bound periodicals on hand is 12,995, those purchased having been 1,983, and donated 95, making 2,078 as the total of additions. 322 have been worn out and taken from the shelves, 15 volumes have been lost by borrowers and paid for; 10 volumes were unaccounted for at the annual examination. The readerships number 4,392; the number of books taken home has been 55,649; the number used in the reading-room on week days has been 5,416, and 782 on Sundays. Of the number taken home, 5,323 have been history and biography; 2,455 voyages and travels; 1,886 science and arts; 1,088 poetry and drama; 2,790 miscellaneous, and 42,107 fiction and juveniles. For fuller and more detailed information under this head, you are respectfully referred to the report of the Librarian, hereunto annexed.

The Public Library continues to grow more popular with the community, and with our rapid growth as a city, we cannot but hope that the collection of books will, in the near future, be one of the largest and best in the Northwest. With the present limited increase, of about two thousand volumes a year, the library is becoming crowded in its present quarters, and it is only a question of a few months when larger rooms will be needed to house its volumes. It has been suggested that accommodations could be provided in the upper portion of the new City Hall, and if the Honorable Council are disposed to favor the plan, it seems important to the Board of Directors that some immediate action should be taken toward preparing that part of

the building for the use of the Public Library, as the lease of our rooms will expire at about the time that the City Hall will be ready for occupancy.

MAURICE AUERBACH, Vice President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

St. Paul, March 7, 1887.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1887.

RECEIPTS.

1886.	March. Balance to credit of Library Fund	$2,562.67
	March Settlement, " " "	2,162.00
	June " " " "	6,381.11
	October " " " "	603.47
	Received from fines	556.80
	" " lost books	20.25
	" " damaged books	.50
	" " Finding Lists	52.20
	" " old newspapers	.75
	" " other sources	21.00
		$12,360.75

DISBURSEMENTS.

1887.	February 28, Rent	$ 1,200.00
	Salaries	2,802.67
	Gaslight	391.05
	Fuel	202.15
	Books	3,629.74
	Periodicals	450.79
	Postage and Expressage	38.17
	Stationery and Printing	141.76
	Insurance	130.00
	Binding Books	180.90
	Binding Periodicals	273.35

Furniture—	
Safe	80.00
Bookcases	76.00
Floor Covering	52.01
Stair Pads	36.90
Card Cabinet	22.90
Book Supports	20.00
Sundry Smaller Items	36.18
Repairs	38.83
Miscellaneous—	
Removing Ashes	27.50
Ice	18.75
Cleaning Rooms	16.50
Sundry Smaller Items	14.65
Finding Lists	180.00
Total	$10,060.80
Balance to credit of Library Fund	2,299.95
	$12,360.75

St. Paul, March 7, 1887.

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith respectfully submit my fourth annual report, embracing the statistics and work of the library for the official year ending February 28, 1887.

BOOKS.

The number of bound volumes now in the library is 12,995. The number reported last year was 11,254. The number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue during the year was 2,078, of which 1,083 were bought and 95 were given. The number worn out and taken from the shelves was 322, mostly works of prose fiction. The number of volumes lost and paid for was 15.

During the year 157 discarded books have been sent to the workhouse and 52 to the city hospital.

The following is a classified list of the accessions:

History	299
Biography	170
Travels	123
Poetry and Drama	64
Essays and Miscellanies	44
Fine Arts	83
Language and Literature	73
Practical Arts	89
Natural Science	111
Political and Social Science	104
Mental and Moral Science	45
Ancient Classics	4
Religion	53
Medicine	3
Law	7
Periodicals	175
Government Documents	59
Bibliography	3
Dictionaries and Encyclopaedias	30
Prose Fiction and Juvenile Literature	439
Unclassified	100
	2,078

During the past year 95 volumes and 35 pamphlets have been given. Appended to this report is a list of the donors with the number of their gifts.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The number of new registrations, including renewals was 2,130, of which 1,139 were males and 991 females. The whole number of persons now holding cards which entitle them to draw books is 4,392. All cards are cancelled at the end of two years from the date on which they were were issued, and the holders are required to deposit a new guaranty and to make a new registration.

The amount of fines received for the detention of books has been $556.80. The amount received for lost books has been $20.25; for damaged books, 50 cents; for finding lists, $52.20; for old papers, 75 cents.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library was open for the delivery of books 308 days during the year, and the number of books taken out for home use was 55,649; for use in the rooms, 6,198, making an aggregate circulation of 61,847 volumes, a daily average of about 200 volumes.

The average daily issue by months, including Sundays and books issued for use in the rooms, was as follows: March 204, April 157, May 154, June 147, July 143, August 149, September 159, October 176, November 187, December 175, January 171, February 217.

Of the 9 volumes reported as missing last year 6 have been found. The annual examination of the library was made in January last, and at the present time 10 volumes are not accounted for.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

A classification of the circulation shows the following result for the year expressed in percentage:

History and Biography	9.58
Voyages and travels	4.44
Arts and Sciences	3.28
Poetry and Drama	1.96
Prose Fiction and Juveniles	75.68
Miscellaneous	5.06

The circulation of prose fiction and juveniles by months was as follows: March 74.11, April 70.44, May 77.35, June 79.58, July 80.28, August 79.56, September 76.97, October 76, November 73.93, December 71.03, January 73.23, February 73.41. For the year ending February 28, 1887, it was 75.68.

READING ROOM.

Ten serials have been added since the last report, making the number now on file in the reading room 114; of these 11 are quarterlies, 3 bi-monthlies, 56 monthlies, 3 semi-monthlies, 35 weeklies, 2 semi-weeklies and 4 dailies. A list of all the serials, including periodicals and newspapers, is herewith submitted. There were issued for use in the reading room on week days 5,416 volumes. The average daily issue on Sundays was 15. The daily average of visitors to the reading room on Sundays was 72.

BINDING.

There have been 569 volumes bound during the year, of which 108 were periodicals, including newspapers, and 461 miscellaneous books. Nineteen volumes were repaired at the bindery and 1,270 at the library.

The work of the library has been largely increased by an attempt to re-arrange, classify and catalogue the books. The work is now going forward without interfering at all with the circulation and use of the books. About 3,500 volumes, including accessions for the last three years, and all the prose fiction and juveniles in the library, have been classified and a finding list issued. Since this list was printed about 1,200 more volumes have been classified. A card catalogue is made of all the classified books, and the hope is that by the end of another year the library will have a full card catalogue and a complete finding list will be printed.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,

Librarian.

LIST OF DONATIONS.

	VOLS.	PAMPH.
Ames, Charles W.	1	0
Boston Public Library	2	2
Britts, Mrs. M.	1	0
Brooklyn (N. Y.) Library	0	2
Bureau of Education	2	9
Clark, Hon. Greenleaf	1	0
Clarke, Robert & Co. (Cincinnati.)	0	1
Cudmore, P., (Faribault, Minn.)	0	1
Estabrook, J. D.	1	0
Hill, A. J.	0	3
Hodges, Miss M. E.	1	0
Johnson, Gen. R. W.	1	0
Jones, ——	2	0
Kelley, W. H.	0	3
Kellogg, M. N.	6	0
Knox, Hon. H. M.	1	0
Lewis, T. H.	0	2
Mace, A. L.	1	0
Newton (Mass.) Free Library	0	2
Ramsey, Hon. Alex.	1	0
Sewall, J. S.	2	0
Smithsonian Institute	1	0
Unitarian Association	1	0
Unknown	2	0
United States Civil Service Commission,	0	1
United States Interior Department	51	8
United States Patent Office	4	0
United States Treasury Department	4	0
United States War Department	1	0
Washburn, Hon. W. D.	8	0
Worcester (Mass.) Free Library	0	1

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

American Agriculturist.
American Antiquarian.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Science.
American Naturalist.
Andover Review.
Architect and Building News.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Atlantic Monthly.
Baptist Quarterly.
Book Buyer.
Bookseller.
Carpentry and Building News.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chautauquan.
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Churchman.
Critic.
Current.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Education.
Electrician and Electrical Enquirer.
Engineering News.
Farmer. (Gift.)
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's New Popular Monthly.

Gardener's Monthly.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary News.
Literary World.
Littell's Living Age.
Magazine of American History.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Nature.
New England Journal of Education. (Gift.)
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New Princeton Review.
New York Nation.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
North American Review.
Northwest. (Gift.)
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Overland Monthly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Presbyterian Review.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.

St. Paul Herald. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Sanitary Engineer.
Science.
Scientific American and Supplement.
Scientific American Monthly.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakesperiana.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Unitarian Review. (Gift.)
Unity. (Gift.)
Universalist Quarterly.
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)
Wide Awake.
Woman's Journal. (Gift.)
Youth's Companion.

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Art Journal.
Athenæum.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Chambers' Journal.
Chemical News.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Fortnightly Review.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Illustrated London News.
Journal of Botany.

Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Nineteenth Century.
Notes and Queries.
Numismatic Chronicle.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Westminster Review.

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SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY

FOR TEN MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

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GLOBE JOB OFFICE,
D. RAMALEY & SON, PRINTERS.
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The Library.

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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HENRY L. CARVER	" " " " "
JAMES P. POND	" " " " "
ALEXANDER RAMSEY	" " " " 1888
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BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT	" " " " "
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DELOS A. MONFORT	" " " " "
JOHN D. O'BRIEN	" " " " "

OFFICERS, 1887:

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, *President.*
MAURICE AUERBACH, *Vice President.*
WILLIAM H. KELLEY, *Secretary.*

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1887-8:

Building—AUERBACH, POND and CULLEN.
Administration—O'BRIEN, WRIGHT and RAMSEY.
Library—UPHAM, CARVER and MONFORT.
Finance—WRIGHT, MONFORT and UPHAM.
By-Laws—CARVER, POND and O'BRIEN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE, *Librarian.*
MISSES M. E. HODGES, JENNIE E. RANDALL, MABEL K. FORD,
MR. CHARLES J. INGLES, *Assistants.*
WALTER P. CONFARR, *Assistant for Sundays.*
MARY RAHN, *Janitor.*

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the President and Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this their sixth annual report.

Our former reports having been made in conformity with the "act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms," included the work up to the close of February, but the act amending the Charter of of the City of St. Paul, approved February 22, 1887, now requires that reports from the different departments of the City Government shall close with the 31st of December. This report will therefore comprise only ten months of library duty, and nine months financially, to conform to the law and the City Treasurer's report.

We have received from the Library Fund, between March 1st and December 31st, 1887, the sum of $8,052.97; from fines collected, lost books paid for, the sale of finding lists, and other sources, $566,09; total, $8,619.06; which has been expended as follows: For rent $900; salaries, $2,199.18; books and periodicals, $3,794.41; gas and fuel, $247.74; binding, $567.75; furniture and repairs, $498.36; stationery

and printing, $156.10; insurance, $150; postage and expressage, $32.50; finding lists, $10; miscellaneous, $63.02. A more detailed account will be found in the accompanying report of the Secretary.

From the report of the Librarian, hereunto annexed, you will learn that the number of books on hand on the 31st of December, was 15,115; those purchased amounting to 2,321, and those donated, 115, making 2,436 as the total that have been added during ten months; 300 have been worn out and 16 volumes have been lost and paid for. The readerships number 4,683; the number of books taken home has been 49,806; the number used in the reading room on week days, 5,543, and 731 on Sundays. Of the number taken home, 4,611 have been history and biography; 2,479 voyages and travels; 2,368 science and arts; 964 poetry and drama; 1,986 miscellaneous; 37,398 fiction and juveniles. You are respectfully referred to the annexed report of the Librarian for fuller information.

These 15,115 volumes are classified in the finding lists under about three hundred subject-entries, alphabetically arranged from Acoustics to Zoology. We believe the books have been judiciously selected, and will meet the requirements of our readers as far as the limited collection can do so. With the small sum at the disposal of the directors, for the parchase of books, only the works of English authors and translations can be purchased at present. With a desire to keep the appropriation at a minimum, the directors may have erred in the wrong direction. If our citizens are dissatisfied with the slow growth of the library, in consequence of such a policy, your Honorable Council can easily remedy the difficulty by levying a larger tax for the library fund.

Mr. Justin Winsor, one of the most experienced librarians in the United States, said: "It is a very easy matter to form a library to suit the wants of specific conditions of people, but it is not so easy to gather such books as will

afford the greatest and most varied interest to all sorts of readers. What will harm some will work no harm to others, though it may do them no more good than to grant them a pastime, and it is with this object that three-quarters of the reading of people not professedly bookish is carried on; and whether it be desirable or not, the pastime readers are the most of the people to whose wants public libraries of the popular sort minister."

In addition to the books for circulation, many have been collected that are valuable for reference, and some of these should be duplicated for use in both departments.

The excellence of our small library and its value to patrons for the variety of its contents, can be estimated by comparison with the period shown in the following extract from an essay of Mr. F. B. Perkins, of the Boston Public Library. He wrote: "Four centuries ago, in the early days of printing, a popular encyclopedia, or the book that then stood for such, was one small quarto volume, with not so great an extent of reading matter in it as the Old Testament. And then there was really nothing so very absurd in a man's professing all that was known. There is a phrase of that period which describes such a man. 'Who knows the three, the seven, in short, all that there is to know.' Now, this three and seven were the courses of three studies and of four studies, first three alone and then both together. The three were grammar, logic and rhetoric, and the additional four were arithmetic, music, geometry and astronomy. And in the small extent to which they were known at all, a quick-witted, talkative person might lecture ably enough for the period on the whole of them. Even these seven may, of course, be ranged as only three, language, music and mathematics, showing a still earlier stage of learning. But now we have, for instance, composition, sacred rhetoric, homiletics, besides the three old departments of language, music, sacred and secular, instrumental and vocal, and different departments of each, and so on. All the natural sciences have been

added; the whole of mathematics, pure and applied; a number of industrial pursuits, even, and so on, until the number of separate departments of knowledge is such, and the extent of research in each has become such, that it is perfectly hopeless for a person to attempt to master them all."

In place of the small encyclopedia that Mr. Perkins refers to, our patrons have the range of several of the largest and in the latest editions, the best and most complete biographical and geographical dictionaries, elaborately illustrated works on natural history, in fact, something about every art and science and language, even "Volapuk," the last to make its appearance.

The increase of patrons during the past year, and the accessions to the library are making our present rooms very much crowded, and we look forward with pleasure to the removal of the collections to the new City Hall, where we are assured we shall have double our present space, and give to our readers a central location in the city, and easy access by elevators to spacious halls and convenient rooms; and in this we shall have the advantage of adding to our small library fund the saving of rent, fuel and light.

The attention that the Chamber of Commerce and the press have given to the importance of erecting a suitable building for the library, which will be required when the collection has outgrown its new quarters, meets with the hearty approval of the Board. This rising sympathy contrasts with the long years of patient and persistent effort on the part of a few individuals, who gave their time, money and thought to bring the institution to even its present condition, and is hailed as an evidence of the worthy ambition of our people. While the accommodations in the public building may do for the present, it is not too soon to make some provision for the early future. The rapid growth of the city and the con-

sequent larger demand for library facilities already suggest that the Council should acquire a site and make provision for the erection of a building, selecting from the various institutions of this kind, the best plan for its construction, so that when our departure from the City Hall, for any cause, is made necessary, the work may be promptly done.

For the directors,

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, Prest.

WM. H. KELLEY, Sec'y.

St. Paul, March 5, 1888.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR NINE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1887.

RECEIPTS.

Date.	Amount.
March 1, balance to credit of Library Fund	$2,299.95
April 29, from March settlement	2,290.00
July 6, from June settlement	6,910.32
Nov. 10, from October settlement	184.32
Received from fines	470.59
Received for sixteen lost books	23.10
Received for damaged books	1.00
Received for Finding Lists	68.60
Received from other sources	2.80
	$12,250.68

DISBURSEMENTS.

Items.	Amount.
Paid for rent	$ 900.00
Paid for salaries	2,199.18
Paid for gas light	210.74
Paid for fuel	37.00
Paid for books	3,736.08
Paid for periodicals	58.33
Paid for postage and expressage	32.50
Paid for stationery and printing	156.10
Paid for insurance	150.00
Paid for binding books	313.90
Paid for binding periodicals	253.85
Paid for furniture:	
Gallery, including fixtures, and painting	237.75
Book cases	166.80
Gas fixtures	8.50
Chairs	6.75
Signs	7.00
Emerson's binders	14.74
Book supports	10.50
Repairs:	
Floor covering	32.97
Other repairs	13.35
Miscellaneous:	
Removing ashes	17.35
Room cleaning	15.75
Ice	17.00
Sundry smaller items	12.92
Finding lists	10.00
	$8,619.06
Balance to credit of Library Fund	3,631.62
	$12,250.68

January 3, 1888.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary,
Board of Directors, St. P. P. L.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith respectfully submit my fifth annual report, embracing the statistics and work of the library for the ten months ending December 31, 1887.

BOOKS.

The number of bound volumes in the library is 15,115. The number reported at the close of last year was 12,995. The accessions during the last ten months have been 2,436, of which 2,321 were bought and 115 were given. The number of books worn out and removed from the shelves was 300. The number lost and paid for, 16. Some of the discarded volumes were sent to the City Hospital, and the remainder to the Workhouse. The following is a classified list of the accessions:

Classification.	No.
History	256
Biography	275
Travels and description	95
Poetry and drama	187
Essays and miscellanies	63
Collected works	11
Fine arts	59
Mathematics	2
Language and literature	57
Practical arts	172
Natural science	78
Political and social science	103
Mental and moral science	23
Ancient classics	34
Religion	71
Medicine	8
Law	14
Periodicals	283
Government documents and state papers	57
Bibliography	11
Dictionaries and encyclopedias	38
Statistics	2
Prose fiction and juvenile literature	498
Unclassified	39
Total	2,436

During the past ten months 115 volumes and 85 pamphlets have been given to the library. A list of the donors and the number of their gifts, is herewith submitted.

BOOK BORROWERS.

Since the last report, 1,844 cards have been cancelled, the time for which they were given having expired. The number of new registrations, including renewals, has been 2,135, of which 1,048 were males, 1,087 females. The whole number of persons now entitled to draw books, is 4,683. An increase of 291 over last year. The amount received for fines and the detention of books has been $533.77. The amount received for lost books, $23.10; for damaged books, $1,00; for finding lists, $79.50; for old papers, 30 cents.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library has been open for the delivery of books 260 days during the ten months, and the number of books issued and taken from the rooms, was 49,806; for use in the rooms, 6,274, making an aggregate circulation of 56,080 volumes; an average of about 215 volumes daily. The average daily issue by months, including books issued for use in the rooms, was as follows: March, 241; April, 214; May, 178; June, 173; July, 195; August, 213; September, 196; October, 239; November, 233; December, 225.

The annual examination of the library is made in January. During the time included in this report no examination has been made.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

A classification of the circulation shows the following result expressed in percentage:

Classification.	Per cent.
History and biography	9.08
Voyages and travels	4.98
Arts and sciences	4.76
Poetry and drama	1.95
Prose fiction and juveniles	75.23
Miscellaneous	4.00
	100.00

The circulation of Prose, Fiction and Juveniles, by months, was as follows: March, 71.30; April, 74.01; May, 76.92; June, 77.90; July, 81.24; August 81.08; September, 76.84; October, 72.84; November, 70.82; December, 71.20.

READING ROOM.

Eight serials have been added since the last report, making the number now on file in the reading room, 120. Of these 11 are quarterlies, 2 bi-monthlies, 61 monthlies, 3 semi-monthlies, 37 weeklies, 2 semi-weeklies and 4 dailies. A list of all the serials, including periodicals and newspapers, is herewith submitted.

On week days there were issued for use in the rooms, 4,553 volumes. The average daily issue on Sundays, was 16. The daily average of visitors to the reading room on Sundays, was 93.

BINDING.

Since the last report, 947 volumes have been bound; of these, 222 were periodicals, including newspapers, and 725 miscellaneous works. Twenty-three volumes were repaired at the bindery and 1,337 at the library.

The work of re-arranging and cataloguing the books has been carried on as fast as the regular work would admit. A second part of the finding list containing about 3,500 works has been issued, so that the list now contains all the books added to the library in the last five years, and a large part of the old books most called for.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

DONATIONS.

	Vol.	Pamph.
Ames, J. G.	0	1
Andrews, Gen. C. C.	1	0
Baltimore Manufacturing Record Company	1	0
Boston Public Library	0	2
Bridgeport (Conn.) Public Library	0	1
Brookline (Mass.) Public Library	0	1
Brooklyn (N. Y.) Mercantile Library	0	2
Chicago Public Library	0	1
Confarr, W. P.	0	1
Crunden, F. M. (St. Louis)	0	1
Detroit Public Library	0	1
Fitchburg (Mass.) Public Library	1	0
Foster, W. E. (Providence, R. I.)	0	1
Gannett, Rev. W. C.	4	0
Hill, A. J.	0	2
Johnson, Gen. R. W.	3	0
Kelley, Miss E. L.	6	0
Kelley, W. H.	9	6
Keihle, D. L.	12	7
Lewis, T. H.	0	1
McMillan, Hon. S. J. R.	2	10
Mattson, H.	3	0
Mitchell, Rev. E. C.	0	1
Newton (Mass.) Free Library	0	1
Omaha Board of Trade	0	2
Omaha Public Library	0	1
Prendergast, T. A.	22	0
Robinson, Mrs. C. H.	6	0
Romero, Hon. M.	0	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association	0	1
Sewall, J. S.	1	0
Smithsonian Institution	4	0
Stanford, Hon. Leland (Cal.)	0	1
Stone, W. C. (Springfield, Mass.)	1	0
Unitarian Association	3	0
United States Bureau of Education	4	27
United States Department of Agriculture	1	0
United States Department of State	2	0
United States Fish Commission	0	4
United States Interior Department	6	1
United States Navy Department	5	0
United States Patent Office	4	0
United States Treasury Department	2	0
United States War Department	5	0
Unknown	4	4
Washburn, Hon. W. D.	4	0
Worcester (Mass.) Free Library	0	2

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

American Agriculturist.
American Antiquarian.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Science.
American Magazine.
American Naturalist.
Andover Review.
Architect and Building News.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Atlantic Monthly.
Baptist Quarterly.
Book Buyer.
Bookseller.
Building.
Carpentry and Building News.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chautauquan.
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Christian Register (gift).
Churchman.
Cosmopolitan Magazine.
Critic.
Current.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Education.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering News.
Farmer (gift).
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's New Popular Monthly.
Gardener's Monthly.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
Inland Architect.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary News.
Literary World.
Littell's Living Age.
Magazine of American History.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Nature.
New England Journal of Education.
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New Princeton Review.
New York Nation.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
North American Review.
Northwest.
Official Gazette (gift).
Open Court.
Overland Monthly.
Political Science.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Presbyterian Review.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Sanitary Engineer.
Science.
Scientific American and supplement.
Scientific American Monthly.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakesperiana.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Unitarian Review (gift).
Unity (gift).
Universalist Quarterly.
West St. Paul Times (gift).
Western Appeal (gift).
Wide Awake.
Woman's Journal (gift).
Youth's Companion.

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Art Journal.
Athenæum.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Chambers' Journal.
Chemical News.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Fortnightly Review.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Illustrated London News.
Journal of Botany.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Nineteenth Century.
Notes and Queries.
Numismatic Chronicle.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Spectator.
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Westminster Review.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Honorable, the President and Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this their seventh annual report:

The act of the legislature which provides for the establishment and maintenance of public libraries and reading rooms, requires certain statistics which are here presented in the order called for by that act.

We have received from the Library Fund, between January 1 and December 31, 1888, the sum of $10,303.37. From fines collected, lost books paid for, the sale of finding lists and other sources, $812.52. Total, $11,115.89, which has been expended as follows: For rent, $1,200; salaries, $3,187.43; books and periodicals, $4,434.45; gas and fuel, $811.11; binding, $648.61; furniture and repairs, $178.45; stationery and printing, $199.11; insurance, $150; postage and expressage, $35.23; finding lists, $192.75; miscellaneous, $78.75; the same accounts in more detail will be found in the accompanying report of the Secretary.

The increased balance to the credit of the Library Fund, as shown in that report, is caused by a late decision of the City Comptroller that allows the City Treasurer to credit the Library Fund with the amount appropriated by the City Council for each year. Heretofore the fund has been credited as the taxes were collected. In the six years since the organization of the Public Library, the difference between the appropriations and the collections, has been $3,349.78, which amount was credited in November last.

From the report of the Librarian, you will learn that the number of books in the library on the 31st of December, was 17,912, the purchases amounting to 2,266 and the donations, 784, making 3,050 as the total added during the year; 235 have been worn out and 18 volumes have been lost and paid for.

The readerships number 5,565, an increase of 882 over the number reported a year ago. The number of books taken home has been 71,416; the number used in the reading room on week days, 9,180, and on Sundays, 1,328. Of the number taken home, 6,647 have been history and biography; 3,799 voyages and travels; 3,812 science and arts; 1,599 poetry and drama; 3,238 miscellaneous; 52,321 fiction and juveniles. You are respectfully referred to the annexed able and interesting report of the Librarian for fuller information.

The removal of the collection to the fire proof apartments in the new City Hall during the approaching summer is looked forward to with much satisfaction by the Board of Directors, as the change will banish the constant fear from destruction by fire of the many valuable books that have been and are continually being added to the collection. It is estimated that the capacity of the new rooms, for the shelving of books, will be about 40,000 volumes, which number can be increased one-half by erecting galleries when needed. The library will thus be provided with secure apartments for several years with the present slow increase of books.

The directors avail themselves of this public opportunity of extending to the Hon. Edmund Rice their thanks for his obtaining for the library many valuable public documents in advance of the usual time of their distribution by the departments.

St. Paul, February 5, 1889.

W. H. KELLEY, *Secretary.* ALEX. RAMSEY, *President.*

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1888.

Date.	Amounts.	
January 1, balance to credit of library fund		$3,631.62
March settlement	$1,934.68	
June settlement	7,000.00	
October settlement	3,349.78	
		12,284.46
Received from fines	$661.91	
Received for lost books	32.81	
Received for duplicate	5.00	
Received for finding lists	85.55	
Received from other sources	27.25	812.52
		$16,728.60

DISBURSEMENTS.

Items.		Amount.
Paid for rent		$1,200.00
Paid for salaries		3,187.43
Paid for gas		338.96
Paid for fuel (two years)		472.15
Paid for books		3,048.80
Paid for periodicals		485.65
Paid for postage and expressage		35.23
Paid for stationery and printing		199.11
Paid for insurance		150.00
Paid for binding books		456.61
Paid for binding periodicals		192.00
Paid for furniture:		
Book cases	$50.00	
Card catalogue case	18.80	
Table for catalogue case	3.00	
Emerson's binder	21.35	
Water tank	8.00	
Picture of old settlers	5.00	
		106.15
Repairs:		
Floor covering	$39.00	
Repairing stoves	$16.00	
Plumbing	6.60	
Carpentering	3.75	
Glazing	2.75	
Repairing gas fixtures	2.20	
Repairing chair	1.00	
Repairing clock	1.00	
		72.30
Miscellaneous:		
Removing ashes	$29,80	
Room cleaning	19.50	
Ice	17.00	
Sundry small items	12.45	
		78.75
Finding lists		192.75
		$11,115.89
December 31, balance in city treasury		5,612.71
		$16.728.60

St. Paul, January 7, 1889.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary,
Board of Directors.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

ST. PAUL, January 7, 1889.

To the Directors of the Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith respectfully present my sixth annual report as Librarian on the statistics and condition of the Public Library for the official year ending December 31, 1888.

BOOKS.

The present number of volumes in the library is 17,912. The number reported last year was 15,115. The accessions during the year have been 3,050, of which 2,266 have been bought and 784 given. The number of volumes worn out and removed from the shelves was 235. The number lost and paid for was 18. The net increase of the library has therefore been 2,797 volumes.

Of pamphlets, 150 have been given. The following list shows the number of volumes added to twenty-three divisions of the library during the year:

Classification.	No.
History	293
Biography	225
Travels	143
Poetry and drama	187
Essays and miscellaneous	83
Collected works	42
Fine arts	33
Mathematics	7
Language and literature	65
Practical arts	56
Natural science	97
Politics and social science	118
Mental and moral science	21
Ancient classics	10
Religion	51
Medicine	11
Law	6
Periodicals	219
Government documents and state papers	752
Bibliography	18
Dictionaries and encyclopædias	17
Statistics	38
Prose, fiction and juveniles	558
Total	3,050

BOOK BORROWERS.

The number of new cards issued since January 1, 1888, which entitle the holders to draw books from the library, has been 2,799. Of these registrations, 1,521 have been males and 1,278 females. The total number of persons now

entitled to draw books is 5,565. In accordance with the By-Laws all cards that have been issued for a period of two years, are called in and cancelled and a new registration and new certificate of guaranty required. The number of cards cancelled the past year has been 1,917.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library has been open for the delivery of books 308 days. The number of volumes taken for home use 71,416; for use in the room 10,508, making an aggregate circulation of 81,924 volumes, or a daily average of 266 volumes. The daily average issues by months were as follows: January, 265; February, 316; March, 344; April, 281; May, 254; June, 237; July, 228; August, 245, September, 234; October, 242; November, 271; December, 265.

CLASSIFICATION OF CIRCULATION.

One of the leading librarians of the country says "the statistics of all large circulating libraries in this country and in England continued through a series of years, have proved that there is a law which governs the relative selection of books from a well furnished library, which is as sure and unvarying as that which regulates the average temperature of the seasons and the average term of human life. Nothing is more uncertain than the kind of books an individual will select, but the selections of large masses of people will be the same in different communities of the same grade of intelligence and culture." A daily record has been kept of the percentage of circulation in each of the six departments of the library named below, and the result with that of previous years has been as follows:

Books.	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888
History and biography	8.10	9.49	10.28	9.58	9.18
Voyages and travels	3.84	5.11	4.74	4.44	5.36
Arts and sciences	2.39	2.69	2.86	3.28	5.38
Poetry and drama	1.77	1.86	1.95	1.96	2.25
Prose, fiction and juveniles	77.99	74.39	74.10	75.68	73.27
Miscellaneous	5.91	6.46	6.07	5.06	4.56

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

With the increase of books in this department, there has been a marked increase in the number of visitors. Readers are incommoded by the narrow limits of the room and a much larger space is needed for their proper accommodation.

READING ROOM.

The serials kept on file in the reading room number 121. Of these, 91 are American and 30 English. A list of all the serials is appended to this report. There were issued for use in the reading room on week days 9,180 volumes. The average daily issue on Sundays was 26. The average number of visitors on Sundays was 98.

ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

The annual examination of the library has just been made. The plan pursued was that of examining the library from the shelf lists without calling in the books. Every book belonging to the library has either been found or otherwise accounted for, and been checked off on the shelf list or reported missing. The result of the examination is that 76 volumes are missing. As the examination has just been made and many of the books are in circulation, a considerable portion of those not accounted for may yet re-appear.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 864, of which 188 were periodicals, including newspapers, and 677 miscellaneous books; 2,493 were repaired at the library and 80 at the bindery.

CATALOGUE AND FINDING LIST.

A card catalogue has been made up to the latest book received, except the public documents, and shows at all times a complete inventory of the library. It has been kept as an official catalogue, but is, however, accessible to the readers through an attendant. A duplicate card catalogue is being prepared for the use of the public, and will be completed as soon as the other work of the library will permit. A third part of the finding list is now in the hands of the printer, and will be ready for use in a few days. It, with the part already printed, will contain a complete list of all the books in the library, except the public documents and serials.

It will be seen by the foregoing report that the growth of the library during the past year by the accessions of new books, has been larger than that of any previous year. The registration of book borrowers has increased about 18 per cent; the circulation of books, 22 per cent, while the circulation of prose fiction has decreased a little more than 2 per cent.

HELEN J. MCCAINE, Librarian.

DONATIONS.

	Vol.	Pamph.
Andrews, Gen. C. C.		2
Appleton & Co., (New York)	1	
Boston Public Library	1	3
Bridgeport, (Conn.) Public Library		1
Brookline, (Mass.) Public Library		1
Brooklyn, (New York) Mercantile Library		1
Chicago Board of Public Works	6	
Chicago Public Library		2
Cincinnati Public Library		1
Cleveland, H. W. S. (Minneapolis)	1	3
Denison (Ohio) University		1
Detroit Public Library		1
Estabrook, J. D.		1
Hill, A. J.		1

DONATIONS—*Continued.*

	Vol.	Pamph.
Hill, L. B.	1	5
Horsford, E. N. (Boston)	1	
Ingles, C. L.	5	
Iowa Agricultural College		1
Kansas City Public Library		1
Kelley, Miss E. L.		2
Kelley, W. H.	1	91
Leask & Co.	1	
Lewis, T. H.		1
Lynn, (Mass.) Public Library		1
McCaine, Mrs. H. J.	1	
McClellan, C.		1
Mann, W.	2	
Marsh, L. B. (Boston)	1	
Masten, H.	3	
Maverick National Bank	1	
Mayo, E. R. (Boston)	1	
Milwaukee Public Library		1
Minnesota Historical Society	4	
Mitchell, Rev. E. C.	1	
Molee, E. (Chicago)	1	
Morse, Miss C. B.		1
New Haven Free Public Library		1
Newberry Library		1
Newton Free Library		1
Omaha Board of Trade		1
Omaha Public Library	1	1
Providence Public Library		1
Rice, Hon. E.	2	
Robinson, Mrs.	5	
St. Louis Public Library		1
Salisbury, S. (Worcester, Mass.)	1	
Smithsonian Institution	2	
State Mining Bureau, (Cal.)		1
Sutro Tunnel Co.	1	
Taylor, S. S.		1
Unitarian Association	2	
United States Bureau of Education	4	1
United States Civil service Commission		2
United States Coast Survey		1
United States Department of State	4	
United States Fish Commission	6	
United States Interior Department	634	2
United States Patent Office	2	
United States Treasury Department	60	
United States War Department	22	
Unknown	3	6
University of California		1
Warren W., (Somerville, Mass.)		2
Washburn, Hon. W. D.	3	
Watertown, (Mass.) Public Library		1
Wilmington, (Del.) Institute		1
Worcester, (Mass.) Free Library		1

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

American Agriculturist.
American Antiquarian.
American Garden.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Science.
American Magazine.
American Naturalist.
Andover Review.
Architect and Building News.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Atlantic Monthly.
Baptist Quarterly.
Book Buyer.
Bookseller.
Building.
Carpentry and Building News.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chautauquan.
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Christian Register. (Gift).
Churchman.
Cosmopolitan Magazine.
Critic.
Current.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Education.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering News.
Farmer. (Gift).
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's New Popular Monthly.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
High School World. (Gift).
Inland Architect.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary News.
Literary World.
Littell's Living Age.
Magazine of American History.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Nature.
New England Journal of Education.
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New Princeton Review.
New York Nation.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
North American Review.
Northwest.
Official Gazette. (Gift).
Open Court.
Overland Monthly.
Political Science.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Presbyterian Review.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Sanitary Engineer.
Science.
Scientific American and Supplement.
Scientific American Monthly.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakespearian.
Unitarian Review. (Gift).
Unity. (Gift).
Universalist Quarterly.
West St. Paul Times. (Gift).
Western Appeal. (Gift).
Wide Awake.
Woman's Journal. (Gift).
Youth's Companion.

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Art Journal.
Athenæum.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Chambers's Journal.
Chemical News.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Fortnightly Review.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Illustrated London News.
Journal of Botany.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Nineteenth Century.
Notes and Queries.
Numismatic Chronicle.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Spectator.
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Westminster Review.

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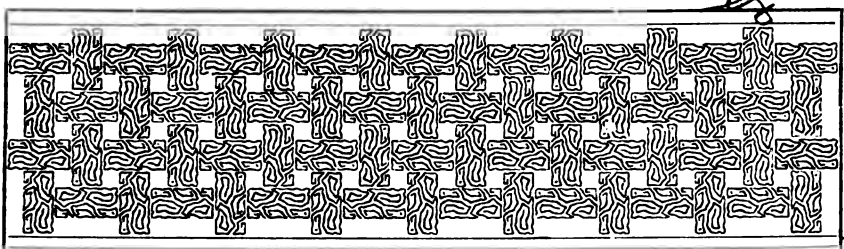

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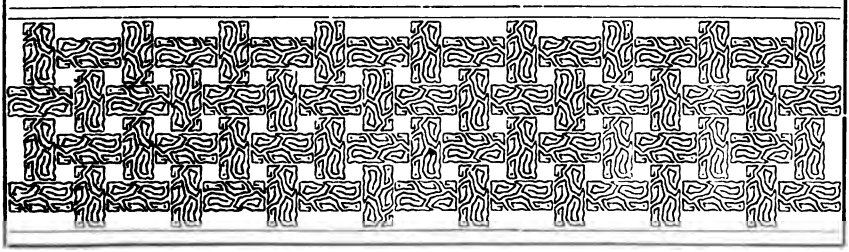
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1889.



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SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

OFFICERS:

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, *President.*
MAURICE AUERBACH, *Vice-President.*
WILLIAM H. KELLEY, *Secretary.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

	Term expires April 30.
ALEXANDER RAMSEY,	1891
HENRY P. UPHAM,	1891
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT,	1891
MAURICE AUERBACH,	1890
HENRY L. CARVER,	1890
JAMES P. POND,	1890
ORLAN O. CULLEN,	1892
DELOS A. MONFORT,	1892
J. G. PYLE,	1892

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1889-90:

Building—AUERBACH, POND and CULLEN.
Administration—PYLE, WRIGHT and RAMSEY.
Library—UPHAM, CARVER and MONFORT.
Finance—WRIGHT, MONFORT and UPHAM.
By-Laws—CARVER, POND and PYLE.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE, *Librarian.*

Assistants—

MISSES JENNIE E. RANDALL, LIZZIE W. CLUTE, . . . *Catalogue.*
CHARLES J. INGLES, MISS S. M. CLARK, . . . *Circulation.*
MISS ANNIE M. SAVAGE, ... *Reading-Room.*
MISS ELIZA W. MAYO, ... *Reference Books.*
WALTER P. CONFARR, . *Sunday mornings and Week-day evenings.*
JOHN MILLER, ... *Sunday evenings.*
MISS ELSIE HALL, ALEX. W. CALDWELL, JOHN RACHAC, . *Occasional.*
MISS MARY RAHN, ... *Janitor.*

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Honorable, the President and Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this their eighth annual report:

There has been received from the Library Fund between January 1st, and December 31st, 1889, the sum of $13,009.79. From fines collected, lost books paid for, the sale of finding lists and other sources $785.71. Total $13,795.50, which has been expended as follows: For rent of old rooms, $850; salaries, $4,017.28; books and periodicals, $6,564.37; light and fuel, $267.78; binding, $748.05; furniture and repairs, $290.42; stationery and printing, $294.61; insurance, $116.25; postage and expressage, $115.31; finding lists, $146; expenses of moving to new rooms, $330.10; miscellaneous, $55.33. A more detailed account will be found in the report of the secretary hereunto attached.

You are respectfully referred to the accompanying report of the librarian for statistics of the circulation, readerships and other matters of interest.

The occupation of our new quarters in the City Hall, since June last, has been very gratifying to the directors as well as to the increased number of patrons of the library. The numerous well lighted and ventilated rooms have been adapted to their most convenient uses and will accommodate the library for a few years with its present slow rate of increase. There is, however, among our enterprising citizens a desire that the library should have a home of its own, and the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce in that direction has been met with the good will of the library directors, as shown by their action at the special meeting held on the 17th of January, when a committee was appointed to act with the library committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

As a guide to making estimates of the cost of a fire proof library building, the following items are presented. With seven years' experience it has been found that the stack system of storing books has been the most convenient. A double faced case, ten feet in length, seven feet in height, will hold, on an average about nine hundred volumes. Three and a half feet allowed for the dth of the case and space between cases with two feet at the end of each

case, would be about fifty square feet for nine hundred books; a room one hundred feet long and fifty feet wide, would at that estimate, contain ninety thousand volumes. A building of two stories would hold one hundred and eighty thousand. If the rooms are sixteen feet high, galleries could be erected to contain half as many more, making two hundred and seventy thousand volumes.

A building one hundred feet by fifty, with wings extending thirty feet in front for the reading rooms and circulation lobby, would, with the thickness of the walls, require a space of about 154 feet in length by 84 in width. If built immediately the lower floor only would be required for the accommodation of the library for several years, and the upper part of the building with the basement could be used by kindred institutions until the library needed them.

St. Paul, March 8, 1890. Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. KELLEY, *Secretary*. ALEX. RAMSEY, *President*

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1889.

Jan. 1, 1889, balance to credit of library fund		$5,612.71
March settlement	$2,000.00	
June settlement	13,000.00	
		15,000.00
Received from delinquents	$630.17	
Received for finding lists	81.70	
Received for lost books	29.20	
Received for books sold	5.31	
Received for old stoves and gas fixtures	28.00	
Received for rebate on insurance	11.08	
Received for old papers	.25	
		785.71
Total		$21,398.42

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for rent		$850.00
Salaries—		
Librarian and five assistants	$3,196.66	
Sunday and evening assistants	158.50	
Janitor	245.00	
Secretary	150.00	
Occasional assistants	267.12	
		$4,017.28
Paid for gas light, 6½ months	$158.98	
Paid for electric light, 5 months	104.05	
Paid for fuel	4.75	
		267.78
Paid for books		6,135.82
Paid for periodicals		428.55
Paid for postage and expressage		115.31
Paid for stationery and printing		294.61
Paid for insurance		116.25
Paid for binding books		478.65
Paid for periodicals		269.40
Paid for furniture—		
Three card catalogue cases	$82.00	
One book case	49.00	
Three hundred book supports	45.00	
One dozen chairs	17.00	
Emerson's binders	13.07	
Edison light fixtures	10.00	
Sundry small items	44.70	
		260.77
Paid for repairs		29.65
Paid for miscellaneous—		
Removing ashes	$24.35	
Ice	8.00	
Sundries	22.98	
		55.33
Paid for finding lists		146.00
Paid for moving to new rooms		330.10
Total		$13,795.50
Balance Dec. 31, 1889		7,602.92
		$21,398.42

St. Paul, January 6, 1890.

WM. H. KELLY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

ST. PAUL, January 6th, 1890.

To the Directors of the Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith respectfully submit my seventh annual report on the condition and statistics of the Public Library for the year ending December 31st, 1889.

BOOKS.

The present number of volumes in the library is 21,593. The number reported last year was 17,912. The number entered during the year in the accession catalogue was 4,205, of which 4,082 were bought and 123 given. The number of volumes worn out and taken from the shelves was 504, mostly popular and inexpensive works. The number lost and paid for was 20. The net increase has therefore been 3681 volumes.

Of pamphlets, 212 have been given. A list of the donors is appended to this report.

The number of volumes added during the year and the extent of each class is given in the following list. A large part of the accessions in the classes prose fiction and juvenile books represent volumes added to replace worn out books.

Total accessions during the year.	No.
History	431
Biography	310
Travels	194
Poetry and drama	272
Essays and miscellanies	116
Collected works	41
Fine arts	72
Mathematics	15
Language and literature	82
Practical arts	118
Natural science	167
Politics and social science	135
Mental and moral science	56
Ancient classics	7
Religion	139
Medicine	9
Law	9
Periodicals	569
Government documents	84
Bibliography	36
Dictionaries and encyclopaedias	60
Statistics	6
Prose fiction and juvenile literature	997
Tauchnitz collection	280
Total	4,205

Among the accessions of the past year the following are worthy of mention; Bayle, Historical Dictionary, 2 vols; Birch, Ancient Pottery; Blackwood's Magazine, 75 vols; Blunt, Reformation of the Church of England, 2 vols; Boulger, History of China, 3 vols; British Classics, 32 vols; British Theatre, 30 vols; Brown, Fossil Conchology of Great Britain; Browne, Clans of the Highlands of Scotland, 4 vols; Burn, Rome and the Campagna; Century Dictionary, vols 1 and 2; Child, English and Scottish Ballads, 5 vols; Colton, Works of Henry Clay, 6 vols; Cornhill Magazine, 47 vols; Costumes of the Time of the French Revolution; Donaldson, Literature of Ancient Greece, 3 vols; Dramatists of the Restoration, 14 vols; Eaton, Ferns of North America, 2 vols; Edwards, Butterflies of North America, 3 vols; Encyclopaedic Dictionary, 14 vols; Evelyn, Sylva: Discourse on Forest Trees; Everett, Orations and Speeches, 4 vols; Giesler, Church History, 5 vols; Halkett and Laing, Anonymous and Pseudonymous Literature of Great Britain, 4 vols; Hazlitt, Old English Plays, 15 vols; Hazlitt, Shakesperian Jest Books, 3 vols; Historical Magazine, 22 vols; Hook, Archbishops of Canterbury, 12 vols; Hope, Costumes of the Ancients, 2 vols; Howorth, History of the Mongols, 3 vols; Iconographic Cyclopaedia, 6 vols; Irelan, The Republic, 18 vols; Knight's Wordsworth, 11 vols; Loubat, Medallic History of the United States, 2 vols; McClintock and Strong, Cyclopedia of Biblical Literature, 12 vols; Macgibbon and Moss, Architecture of Scotland, 2 vols; Macmillan's Magazine, 48 vols; Michaux and Nuttall, North American Sylva, 5 vols; Muybridge, Animal Locomotion; Nature, 26 vols; New Englander, 47 vols; Rimmer, Art Anatomy; Shakespeare Society Publications, 19 vols; Skene, Celtic Scotland; Spark's Correspondence of the Revolution, 12 vols; Stanton, History of Woman Suffrage; Sturleson, The Heimskringla, 4 vols; Vigfusson and Powell, Corpus Poeticum Boreale, 2 vols; Vyse, Pyramids of Gizeh; Winsor, Memorial History of Boston.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The number of cards issued since January 1st, 1889, which entitle the holder to draw books from the Library, has been 3,235. Of these 1,703 have been issued to males, and 1,532 to females. The total number of persons entitled to draw books is 6,198, an increase of 633 over last year. All borrowers' cards are cancelled by limitation at the end of two years, and a new registration and new certificate of guaranty required. The number of cards cancelled the past year has been 2,602.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The Library was closed three weeks for the removal of the books to the City Hall, so that the circulating department has been open for the delivery of books only 290 days during the year, and the number of volumes taken out for home use was 77,421; for use in the rooms, 16,487, making an aggregate circulation of 93,908 volumes. The daily average issues by months were as follows:—January, 245; February, 308; March, 366; April, 272; May, 273; June, 276; July, 278; August, 2[illegible]; September, 309; October, 375; November, 407; December, 415. The amount received for fines was $639.34.

CLASSIFICATION OF CIRCULATION.

A daily record has been kept of the percentage of circulation in each of the ten departments of the Library named below. The result was as follows:

Books.	1889.
History and Biography	10.51
Voyages and Travels	5.40
Arts and Science	6.71
Poetry and Drama	2.21
Language and Literature	.60
Law and Medicine	.44
Religion	.95
Prose Fiction	48.00
Juvenile Literature	21.88
Miscellaneous	3.30
Total	100.00

During the year a duplicate card catalogue has been completed and placed in the reference room for the use of the public. Cards are added to it from day to day, as new books are received, so that it is at all times a complete inventory of the Library. Since the removal of the Library to its present quarters, an attendant has been put in charge of this department, whose duty it is to give information and assistance to persons desiring to consult its books. A record of the number of books consulted has been kept, with the following result: July, 770; August, 845; September, 888; October, 1,259; November, 1,113; December, 1,158.

READING ROOM.

The number of books issued for use in the reading room on week days was 8,821 volumes. On Sundays, 1,279. The whole number of visitors on Sundays was 4,288. The number of serials on file in the reading room is 163, of which 154 are classed as periodicals, and nine newspapers. Of the newspapers, five are dailies and four weeklies. A list of all the serials is appended to this report.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 1,134, of which 283 were periodicals and newspapers, and 851 miscellaneous books. The number of books repaired at the library was 2,506, and 72 were repaired at the bindery.

A comparison of the statistics with those of last year will show that the number of book borrowers has increased 10 per cent; that the average daily circulation of books is greater than that of any previous year by about 22 per cent, and that since removal of the library to the City Hall, the average daily circulation has increased 40 per cent over corresponding months of last year.

HELEN J. McCAINE, Librarian.

LIST OF DONORS.

Names.	Vols.	Pamp.
American Institute of Architects	.....	2
Boston Public Library	.....	3
Bray, N. J	.....	1
Bridgeport, Conn., Public Library	.....	1
Brookeyn Library, N. Y	.....	1
Brooks, M. Life size bust of Prescott, the historian	.....	.....
Chicago Public Library	.....	5
Cincinnati Public Library	1	8
Civil Engineer's Society	4	.....
Cleveland Public Library	.....	1
Cudmore, P	1	.....
Dayton, Ohio, Public Library	.....	1
Denver, Col., Mercantile Library	.....	1
Detroit Public Library	.....	1
Ewing, G. T	.....	1
Gannett, W. C	6	.....
Goodrich, Mrs. C. H	2	.....
Grant, W. H	.....	1
Hart, H. H	1	1
Hill, G. W	.....	53
Horsford, E. N	1	.....
Kansas Academy of Science	1	.....
Kelley, Miss E. L	1	1
Kelley, W. H	5	.....
Kellogg, M. N	1	.....
Lancaster, A. E	1	.....
Larremore, W	1	.....
Lewe, A	1	.....
Lynn, Mass., Public Library	.....	1
McClellan, C	.....	1
Maimonides Library, N. Y	.....	1
Massachusetts New Church Union	.....	1
Milwaukee Public Library	.....	6
Molee, E	.....	1
Newberry Library, Chicago	.....	1
New Haven, Conn., Free Public Library	.....	1
Newton, Mass., Free Library	.....	1
Old South Meeting House, Boston, Mass	.....	25
Omaha Public Library	.....	1
Prescott, C. H	1	.....
Providence, R. I., Public Library	.....	1
St. Louis Public Library	.....	1
St. Paul Sash and Door Co	1	.....
St. Paul Work House	.....	2
San Francisco Mercantile Library Association	.....	1
Sehrin, S	.....	1
Sewell, J. S	1	.....
Sharp, L	4	5
Silas Bronson Library Fund, Waterbury, Conn	1	2
Smithsonian Institution	3	.....
Springfield, Mass., City Library Association	.....	1
Toledo, Ohio, Public Library	.....	1
Unitarian Association	2	.....

LIST OF DONORS—*Continued.*

Names.	Vols.	Pamp.
United States Bureau of Education	1	11
United States Bureau of Statistics	.....	1
United States Commission of Labor	2	.....
United States Department of Agriculture	4	.....
United States Department of State	17	8
United States Fish Commission	1	.....
United States House of Representatives	2	.....
United States Interior Department	28	2
United States Patent Office	6	.....
United States Signal Service	1	21
United States Treasury Department	7	1
United States War Department	12	7
Unknown	1	14
Upham, W	.....	3
Watertown, Mass., Free Public Library	.....	1
Westing House Electric Co., Pittsburgh, Pa	.....	1
Winchell, N. H	1	.....
Wisconsin State Hospital for the Insane	.....	3
Woburn, Mass., Free Public Library	.....	1
Winslow, Wm. H	1	.....

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO THE READING ROOM.

AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS.

Advocate.
Albany Law Journal.
America.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Science.
American Naturalist.
Andover Review.
Appeal. (Gift.)
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Mining Record.
Minneapolis Tribune. (Gift).
Muse.
Nation.
Nature.
New England Journal of Education.
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
North American Review.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO READING ROOM—*Continued.*

AMERICAN MAGAZINES.

Art Amateur.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Baptist Quarterly.
Book Buyer.
Building.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quartery Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chautauqua.
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Christian Register. (Gift).
Churchman.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Education.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering News.
Eye. (Gift).
Farmer. (Gift).
Forest and Stream.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's New Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gardener's Monthly.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
High School World. (Gift).
Inland Architect.
Journal of American Folk-Love.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy.
Judge.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary News.
Literary World.
Littell's Living Age.
Magazine of American History.
Northwest Chronicle. (Gift.)
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Northwestern Railroader.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Overland Monthly.
Path. (Gift.)
Pointer. (Gift.)
Political Science.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Presbyterian Review.
Public Opinion.
Publishers Weekly.
Puck.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Sanitary Engineer.
Saturday Spectator. (Gift.)
Science.
Scientific American and Supplement.
Scientific American Monthly (Architects' and Builders' Edition.)
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakespeariana.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Textile World. (Gift.)
Union Signal. (Gift.)
Unitarian Review.
Unity. (Gift.)
Universalist Quarterly.
Weekly Oregonian. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)
West Shore. (Gift.)
Western Good Templar. (Gift.)
Wide Awake.
Woman's Journal. (Gift.)
Woman's Record. (Gift.)
Youth's Companion.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS SUPPLIED TO READING ROOM—*Concluded.*

ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS.

Academy.
Art Journal.
Athenæum.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Chambers' Journal.
Chemical News.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Fortnightly Review.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Illustrated London News.
Journal of Botany.
London Graphic.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Mind.
Nineteenth Century.
Notes and Queries.
Numismatic Chronicle.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Scottish Review.
Spectator.
Telegraphical Journal and Electrical Review.
Temple Bar.
Universal Review.
Westminster Review.

FRENCH PUBLICATIONS.

Nouvelle Revue.
Revue des Deux Mondes.

GERMAN PUBLICATIONS.

Fliegende Blatter.
Gartenlaube.
Ueber Land und Meer.

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ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

OFFICERS:

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, *President.*
MAURICE AUERBACH, *Vice President.*
WILLIAM H. KELLEY, *Secretary.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

	Term expires April 30.
ALEXANDER RAMSEY,	1891.
HENRY P. UPHAM,	1891.
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT,	1891.
ORLAN O. CULLEN,	1892.
DELOS A. MONFORT,	1892.
J. G. PYLE,	1892.
MAURICE AUERBACH,	1893.
HENRY L. CARVER,	1893.
*EMERSON W. PEET,	1893.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1890–91.

Building—AUERBACH, CULLEN, MONFORT.
Administration—UPHAM, PYLE, CARVER.
Library—CARVER, WRIGHT, PYLE.
Finance—MONFORT, UPHAM, PEET.
By-Laws—WRIGHT, PEET, AUERBACH.

Special Building Committee to confer with Public Library Commitee of Chamber of Commerce—Directors Wright, Monfort and Cullen.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE, *Librarian.*

Assistants—

MISSES JENNIE E. RANDALL, LIZZIE W. CLUTE,	*Catalogue.*
MISS S. M. CLARK, MR. KARL S. LOOMIS,	*Circulation.*
MISS MAMIE CARMAN,	*Reading Room.*
MISS ELIZA W. MAYO,	*Reference Books.*
WALTER P. CONFARE,	*Sunday Mornings and Week Day Evenings.*
JOHN RACHAC,	*Sunday Evenings.*
MISS MAUD SMITH,	*Occasional.*
MISS MARY RAHN,	*Janitor.*

*Successor to J. P. Pond, deceased.

ANNUAL REPORT

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ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Honorable the President and Common Council of the City of St. Paul,

GENTLEMEN: The board of directors of the public library respectfully present this their ninth annual report.

There has been received from the library fund, during the fiscal year ending with December 31st, the sum of $14,966.58; from fines collected, lost books paid for and finding list, $346.94; total, $15,813.52; which has been expended as follows: For books and periodicals, $8,109.72; salaries, $5,232.24; light, $458.58; binding, $859.35; furniture and repairs, $291.99; stationery and printing, $320.88; insurance, $202.50; postage and expressage, $125.46; expenses of delegate to librarians' convention, $190; miscellaneous, $22.80.

From the report of the librarian you will learn that 5,042 volumes have been added during the year, and that the whole number on the last day of December was 26,546. The total number of persons entitled to draw books at that date was 7,165, and the year's circulation was 130,263 volumes.

The examination of the library was made last spring under the direction of the library committee, and the report is covered with that of the librarian, which, with the secretary's, is hereunto attached.

It affords much gratification to the directors to be able to state that the past year has been the most progressive of any in the history of the library.

St. Paul, March 2, 1891.

WM. H. KELLEY, *Secretary.*

ALEX. RAMSEY, *President.*

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1890.

Jan. 1, 1890, balance to credit of library fund		$7,602 92
Appropriation for library fund		15,000 00
Received from delinquents	$729 82	
Received for lost books	38 55	
Received for finding lists	51 10	
Received for books sold	27 47	
		846 94
Total		$23,449 86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries —		
Librarian and six assistants	$4,226 87	
Two Sunday and evening assistants	384 44	
Two occasional assistants	170 93	
Janitor	300 00	
Secretary	150 00	
		$5,232 24
Electric light		458 58
Books		7,322 02
Periodicals, 1890		539 12
Periodicals, 1891		248 58
Postage and expressage		125 46
Stationery and printing		320 88
Insurance		202 50
Binding books		577 60
Binding periodicals		281 75
Furniture —		
Book case and shelving	84 35	
Lounge	35 00	
Chairs	22 50	
Card catalogue case	29 75	
Fiction catalogue boxes	14 00	
Emerson's binders	29 64	
Alterations	49 22	
Frames and drawers	9 25	
Two bulletin boards	5 00	
Sundry items	3 25	
		281 96

Repairs		$10 03
Miscellaneous —		
Cleaning carpets, etc.	$11 41	
Towels, washing and dusters	8 25	
Sundry items	3 14	
		22 80
Delegate's expenses to American Librarian Convention		190 00
Total		$15,813 52
Balance in city treasury Dec. 31, 1890		7,636 34
		$23,449 86

St. Paul, Jan. 5, 1891.

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

This report is for the twelve months ending with the meeting of the board of directors on the first Monday in December, in order that it may agree with the report of the city treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

ST. PAUL, JAN. 5, 1891.

To the Directors of the Public Library,

GENTLEMEN: I herewith respectfully submit the eighth annual report of the librarian on the operation and statistics of the public library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1890.

BOOKS.

The number of bound volumes in the library at the close of last year was, by actual count, 21,504 volumes. The accessions during the year number 5,456 volumes, of which 5,248 have been bought and 208 given. The number of volumes worn out and removed from the shelves was 391, of which 373 were prose fiction and juvenile books, 4 history, 1 biography, 5 travels, 5 science, 2 poetry and 1 essays.

The number of books lost and paid for was 23. The net increase of the library has therefore been 5,042 volumes, and the present number of volumes in the library is 26,546.

The number of volumes added during the year and the extent of each class is given in the following table:

Total Accessions of the Year.	Number.
History	521
Biography	422
Travels	270
Poetry and drama	207
Essays and miscellanies	84
Collected works	47
Language and literature	120
Fine arts	156
Mathematics	13
Practical arts	201
Natural science	224
Political and social science	213
Mental and moral science	67
Ancient classics	6
Religion	171
Medicine	21
Law	7
Periodicals and newspapers	683
Government documents and state papers	132
Bibliography	31
Statistics	11
Dictionaries and encyclopædias, etc	80
Prose fiction	783
Juvenile literature	585
Parliamentary history (Hansard's debates)	401
Total	5,456

During the year 73 pamphlets have been bought and 127 given. A list of the donors is appended to this report.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The number of cards issued since Jan. 1, 1890, has been 3,682. Of these 1,838 have been issued to males and 1,844 to females. The total number of persons entitled to draw books is 7,165, an increase of 967 over last year. These persons hold cards, each secured by the certificate of a guarantor, which entitle them to draw books from the library for a period of two years. Each card is cancelled at the expiration of two years from the date of its issue, but they may be renewed by a new registration and certificate of guaranty. The number of cards canceled the past year has been 2,715.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department has been open for the delivery of books 305 days during the year, and the number of volumes taken out for home use was 100,620; for use in the rooms, 29,643; making an aggregate circulation of 130,263 volumes.

The daily average issues by months were as follows: January, 414; February, 454; March, 542, April. 413; May, 443; June, 316; July, 313; August, 373; September, 341; October, 441; November, 510; December, 453. The amount received for fines was $733.45.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in each of the ten classes of the library:

Books.	1890.
History and Biography	8.51
Voyages and travels	4.56
Arts and sciences	6.56
Poetry and drama	1.83
Language and literature	1.77
Law and medicine	.42
Religion	1.04
Prose fiction	47.63
Juvenile books	26.32
Miscellaneous	1.36
Total	100.00

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

There has been a large increase in reading on special subjects, due, perhaps, to the impulse to study given by the new movement inaugurated by the St. Paul Academy of Science the past year, known as the university extension. Classes have been formed in algebra, botany, history, mechanical drawing, physics, political science and English literature. About three hundred persons have attended these lectures. A special effort has been made by the library to obtain such books as would be useful in the study of these sciences, and copies of these books, together with the syllabus of each lecture, have been retained in the reference department, where all have had an opportunity to consult them.

READING ROOM.

The number of books issued in the reading room on week days was 14,076; on Sundays, 1,600. The whole number of visitors on Sundays was 5,144. The number of serials on file in the reading room is 195, comprising 187 periodicals and 8 newspaper. Of the periodicals 14 are given, 134 are American publications, 43 English, 4 German, 3 French and 3 Scandinavian, a list of which is appended to this report.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 1,793, of which 270 were periodicals and newspapers and 1,523 miscellaneous books. The number of books repaired at the library was 3,129; at the bindery, 72.

The number of volumes in the library has been increased the past year more than 23 per cent, the book borrowers 15 per cent and the circulation 36,355, or about 40 per cent.

Of the 1,662 free libraries in the United States in 1885, not including college and state libraries, only thirty-six were larger than the St. Paul public library at the present time. The value of a library is not always known by the number of its volumes, but an examination will show that this library is now furnished with many valuable and standard works, and it is believed that it will compare favorably with any library in the country of 26,000 volumes. While laboring under many disadvantages for want of rooms better suited to the work, the books are at least safely housed, the rooms more accessible and the use made of the library much larger than ever before.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

LIST OF DONORS.

NAMES.	VOLUMES.	PAMPHLETS.
American Pomological Society		1
Bishop, J. W	1	
Bissell, J. W	1	
Boston & Maine Railroad	2	
Boston Public Library	1	3
Brookline, Mass., Public Library		1
Brooklyn Library, N. Y		1
California Exhibit	3	12
California State Mining Bureau		1
Carver, H. L	12	
Central Pacific Railroad		1
Chicago Board of Trade	2	
Chicago Public Library		8
Children's Hospital, Boston, Mass		1
Cincinnati Public Library		6
Cleveland Public Library	1	
Concord, N. H., Public Library		1
Confarr, W. P	1	
Cornell University		1
Davis, Hon. C. K	23	
Denver, Col., Public Library		2
Detroit Public Library		1
Dorsey, G. W. E		3
Engineering News Company	1	
Fenton, W	3	
Fielden, J., London	3	
Frothingham, E. L. and A. C. (Baltimore)	1	
Hart, E. L	2	
Hart, H. H		1
Harvard University		2
Hegeler, E. C., La Salle	1	
Hill, A. J	1	
Hill, G. W	7	

LIST OF DONORS—*Continued.*

Names.	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
Iveson, Blackman & Co., Philadelphia	1	.....
Johnstown Flood Relief Commission	.....	1
Kansas Academy of Science	1	.....
Kelley, Miss E. L.	.....	1
Kelley, W. H.	1	1
Los Angeles Public Library	.....	1
Lynn, Mass., Public Library	.....	1
Massachusetts Club, Boston	.....	1
Minneapolis Public Library	1	6
Newberry Library, Chicago	.....	1
New Haven, Conn., Free Public Library	.....	2
Newton, Mass., Free Library	.....	1
New York Department of Public Parks	.....	1
O'Connell Monument Commission	.....	1
Old South Church, Boston	1	.....
Omaha Public Library	.....	1
Peoria, Ill., Public Library	.....	1
Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y.	.....	2
Providence, R. I., Public Library	.....	1
St. Louis Public Library	.....	1
St. Paul Board of Corrections and Charities	1	.....
St. Paul Workhouse	.....	1
Salem, Mass., Public Library	.....	2
San Francisco Mercantile Library	.....	1
Smithsonian Institution	15	.....
Springfield, Mass., City Library Association	.....	6
Toledo, Ohio, Public Library	.....	1
United States Bureau of Education	1	4
United States Department of Agriculture	3	.....
United States Department of State	37	.....
United States Fish Commission	8	.....
United States Interior Department	37	1
United States Patent Office	4	.....
United States Signal Service	7	.....
United States Treasury Department	3	1
United States War Department	13	2
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia	.....	1
Unknown	1	6
Upham, H. P.	1	.....
Upham, W.	1	.....
Warren County Illinois Library	.....	1
Washington Centennial Committee	1	.....
Watertown, Mass., Public Library	.....	1
Wenzell, H. B.	.....	16
Woodruff, W., Salt Lake City	2	.....
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library	1	13
Wright, B. F	1	.....

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
America.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Garden.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Science.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
American Notes and Queries.
Andover Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Agonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Baptist Quarterly Review.
Belgravia.
Bibliography.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Book Buyer,
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Builder and Woodworker.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Union.
Church at Home and Abroad (gift).
Churchman.
Civics.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer (gift).
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gartenlanbe.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Graphic.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
High School World (gift).
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Illustrerad Tidende.
Inland Architect.
Jeweller's Weekly (gift).
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Botany.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy.
Judge.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM — *Continued.*

Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World (American).
Literary World (English).
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of American History.
Magazine of Art.
Magazine of Western History.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Mining Record.
Missionary Review of the World.
Nation.
National Observer.
Nationalist (gift).
Nature.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New England and Yale Review.
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New Review.
Nineteenth Century.
Nordisk Revy.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Northwestern Railroader.
Nouvelle Revue.
Numismatic Chronicle.
Official Gazette (gift).
Open Court.
Outing.
Overland Monthly.
Path (gift).
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Presbyterian Review.
Public Opinion (American).
Public Opinion (English).
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Republic Magazine (gift).
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American Monthly (Architects' and Builders' Edition).
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakespeariana.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Sunshine (gift).
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Temple Bar.
Tilskneren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal (gift).
Unitarian Review (gift).
Unity (gift).
Universal Review.
Universalist Quarterly.
Velhagen und Klasings Neue Monatshefle.
West Shore (gift).
Westminster Review.
Wide-Awake.
Woman's Record (gift).
Youths' Companion.

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM — *Continued.*

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal (gift).
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Minneapolis Tribune (gift).
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwest Chronicle (gift).
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator (gift).
Textile World (gift).
Weekly Oregonian (gift).
West St. Paul Times (gift).
Woman's Journal (gift).

RECAPITULATION.

	Volumes in the Library.	Book. Borrowers.	Circulation.	For Use in Rooms.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Magazines.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-3...	8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$377.85	$369.07	$2.427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.84	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11.254	4,146	54,927	3,303	2,887.42	384.26	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887.....	15,115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736.08	58.33	*2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24

Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
*Ten months.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

	Term expires April 3
ALEXANDER RAMSEY,	1894
HENRY P. UPHAM,	1894
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT,	1894
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STANDING COMMITTEES, 1891-92:

Building—AUERBACH, CULLEN, MONFORT.
Administration—UPHAM, PYLE, CARVER.
Library—CARVER, WRIGHT, PYLE.
Finance—MONFORT, UPHAM, PEET.
By-Laws—WRIGHT, PEET, AUERBACH.
Special Building Committee—Wright, Monfort and Cullen.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE, *Librarian.*

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MR. WALTER P. CONFARR,	*Sunday Mornings and Week Day Evenings*
MR. JOHN RACHAC,	*Sunday Evenings*
MISS MARY RAHN,	*Janitor*

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To the Honorable, the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN:—The board of directors of the public library respectfully report for the year ending with December 31st, 1891, it being the tenth annual of the series.

A comparison with the report of the previous year shows an increase of 3,728 in the number of volumes in the library, only 766 being prose fiction. An increase of 15,815 volumes in the circulation and 577 in the number of book borrowers. As the reports of the librarian and secretary contain the information called for by the act to incorporate public libraries, and as they accompany this report, you are respectfully referred to the librarian's able report for valuable information, and to the secretary's, for the expenditures.

For the first time since the organization of the board of directors, a member has been taken from it by disease. Director Pond departed this life on the eleventh of January, 1891. He was one of the earliest members of the Mercantile Library Association in 1857: one of the predecessors of this institution, and its first treasurer. After the St. Paul Library Association was organized, he was for many years a director on its board, and its president in 1870. When the city council established the public library, as now existent, he was appointed by Mayor Rice one of the directors, and reappointed by succeeding mayors, as his term of office expired. In his more than thirty years' service in St. Paul libraries, he was always zealous, prompt and faithful to every duty assigned him.

In answer to a petition from citizens in the sixth ward, the directors, at their meeting in December, authorized a limited delivery system for the period of six months as an experiment, which, if successful and the finances —now so limited—of the library admit, may be renewed and extended to other portions of the city if required.

Although the growth of the library during the past year has not been large when compared with some previous years, yet there has been a healthy gain, and a comparison with its beginning ten years since, shows that the increase in the number of volumes has been from 8,051, to 30,274, the book borrowers from 3,492, to 7,742, and the circulation from 62,244, to 116,668, and from the earliest record the books used in the rooms have increased

from 3,303, to 29,410. A comparison of the circulation shows that history and biography began with 8.10 per cent, advanced to 10.51, while the last year it was 8.90; poetry and drama began with 1.77, advanced to 2.25 and last year 1.94; voyages and travel were relatively 3.84, 5.40 and 4.14; fiction and juvenile books commenced with 77.99, and has been gradually, with some variations, growing less and ends with 73.39; this reduction in fiction is probably made by the circulation of arts and science, which is a very gratifying feature as the circulation began with 2.39 and is followed by 2.69, 2.86, 3.28, 4.76, 5.38, 6.71, 6.56 and ends with 7.14. The demand for this class of books has governed the librarian when making lists for the purchasing committee.

The suggestion that one wing of the building that is to be erected for an auditorium should be finished for the use of the public library, deserves notice in this report as, at the rate the rooms now occupied by the library are being crowded with books, another year will be none too soon to be making plans for the erection of the building. The wing on Wabasha street with stores on the first floor and the remainder of the building to be devoted to the library, would give space for larger reading rooms and convenient access to the advantages of the collection.

St. Paul, January 4, 1892.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

ALEX. RAMSEY, President.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1891.

July 31, 1891, balance to credit of library fund		$7,636 34
Amount credited to library fund		12,000 00
Received from delinquents	$777 89	
Received for lost books	34 20	
Received for old finding lists	1 15	
Received for new finding lists	108 00	
Received for postal notices	7 00	
		928 24
Total		$20,564 58

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—		
Librarian and six assistants	$4,795 40	
Two Sunday and evening assistants	373 50	
One temporary assistant	41 50	
Janitor	300 00	
Secretary	150 00	
		$5,660 40
Electric light		566 90
Books		7,282 27
Periodicals		538 04
Postage and expressage		129 14
Stationery and printing		375 86
Insurance		202 50
Binding books		1,235 76
Binding magazines		561 70
Furniture—		
Three book cases	55 00	
Two hundred book supports	24 00	
Matting	15 00	
Wire railing	10 00	
Shelf and book rack	13 00	
Enlarging counter in reading room	31 60	
Emerson's binders	43 94	192 54
Repairs		21 50
Miscellaneous—		
Washing floors	165 00	
Cleaning and laying carpets	9 18	
Book articles in newspapers	24 00	

DISBURSEMENTS—Continued.

Membership American Library Association	2 00	
Towels, washing and dusters	6 25	
Sundry items	5 15	211 58
Three thousand finding lists		1,161 35
Total		$18,139 54
Balance in city treasury, Dec. 31, 1891		2,425 04
		$20,564 58

St. Paul, January 4, 1892.

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

ST. PAUL, January 4, 1892.

To the Directors of the Public Library,

GENTLEMEN: I herewith respectfully submit the tenth annual report of the public library for the year ending December 31, 1891.

Arranged in the general order of previous reports the following are the present statistics of the library.

BOOKS.

The present number of books in the library is 30,274. The number reported last year was 26,546, showing a net increase of 3,728 volumes. The number of volumes received and entered on the accession catalogue was 4,210, of which 3,823 were bought and 387 were given. In the number of 3,823 bought are included those which replaced worn out books and hence do not increase the total number of books in the library.

The number of books worn out and removed from the shelves was 451, of which 407 were prose fiction and juvenile books, 8 history, 3 biography, 20 travels, 2 poetry and drama, 8 essays, 2 arts and science and 1 magazine.

The number of books lost and paid for was 33.

The following classified list gives the number of volumes in the library in twenty-five different classes, and the number added to each class during the year.

CLASS.	ACCESSIONS OF THE YEAR.	TOTAL IN THE LIBRARY.
History	359	2,949
Biography	337	2,728
Travels	319	1,699
Poetry and drama	102	1,574
Essays and miscellanies	102	867

CLASSIFIED LIST—Continued.

CLASS.	ACCESSIONS OF THE YEAR.	TOTAL IN THE LIBRARY.
Collected works	43	404
Language and literature	71	722
Fine arts	81	664
Mathematics	6	47
Practical arts	103	942
Natural science	152	1.161
Political and social science	144	939
Mental and moral science	25	407
Ancient classics	10	204
Religion	137	1,142
Medicine	15	145
Law	4	74
Periodicals and newspapers	679	4,106
Public documents and state papers	306	3,116
Bibliography	28	184
Statistics	6	80
Dictionaries and encyclopedias	26	273
English prose fiction	766	4,140
Juvenile literature	280	1,598
Books in foreign literature	109	109
	4,210	30,274

BOOK BORROWERS.

The present number of book borrowers is 7,742. An increase over last year of 577, or a little more than eight per cent. The number of cards issued during the year entitling the holder to draw books for home use was 3,833, of which 2,010 were issued to males and 1,823 to females.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department has been open for the delivery of books 308 days during the year and the number of volumes taken out for home use was 116,668; for use in the rooms 29,410, making an aggregate circulation of 146,076 volumes; an increase over last year of 15,815 volumes, or twelve per cent. The largest number of books taken out on any one day (December 5) was 950; and the smallest number on any one day (September 9) was 247.

The daily average issues of months were as follows: January, 493; February, 572; March, 599; April, 408; May, 387; June, 399; July, 366; August, 413; September, 406; October, 466; November, 523; December, 528.

The amount received for fines was $769.38.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in each of the ten classes of the library:

History and biography	8.90

Science and arts	7.14
Voyages and travels	4.14
Poetry and drama	1.94
Language and literature	2.60
Religion	1.06
Law and medicine	.42
Prose and fiction	44.38
Juvenile books	29.01
Miscellaneous	.41
	100.

READING ROOM.

The number of serials kept on file in the reading room is 193. Of these 180 are periodicals and 13 newspapers. Of the periodicals 132 are American, 40 English, 4 German, 3 French and 1 Scandinavian. The number of books issued in the reading room on week days was 15,348. On Sundays 1,162. The total number of visitors on Sundays was 5,012.

FINDING LISTS.

The original finding list was published in 1886, to which two supplements were afterwards added. The matter of the original list and of the two supplements together with what books were added to the library up to May, 1891, has been rearranged and condensed into one order of classification and was printed in June last. This rearrangement which had become necessary from the difficulty of finding titles scattered through the three different divisions of the finding list, has brought together under one heading, all the works on that subject and is a complete list up to date of publication. Of this edition of the finding list 310 copies have been sold at 40 cents each.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 2,529, of which 304 were periodicals and newspapers, and 2,225 miscellaneous books. The number of books repaired at the bindery was 187; at the library, 3,511.

ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

The annual examination of the library has been made by the same methods and with the same care as in previous years. Every book on the shelf list has been found, or so far as possible otherwise accounted for. Of the books unaccounted for 11 are prose fiction and juveniles, 1 science, 1 history and 1 literature, making a total of 14 volumes.

HELEN J. McCAINE,
President.

LIST OF DONORS.

NAMES.	Vols.	Pams.
Brooklyn, Mass., Public Library	1	.....
Brooklyn Library, N. Y	.....	1
Carman, J	.....	3
Carter, J. C., N. Y	.....	1
Chicago Board of Trade	1	.....
Chicago Public Library	.....	16
Cincinnati Public Library	.....	1
Clarke, Miss S. M	1	.....
Cleveland Public Library	.....	1
Concord, N. H., Public Library	.....	1
Confarr, W. P	2	.....
Cooke, T. & Son, N. Y	1	.....
Dayton Public Library	.....	2
Denver Public Library	1	4
Foote, A. R., Washington, D. C	.....	1
Francesco, W. J., Rutland, Vt	.....	1
Frothingham, E. L., Baltimore	1	.....
Harvard University	1	.....
Hill, A. J	.....	1
Holbrook, R. B	2	.....
Indianapolis Public Library	.....	1
Kansas Academy of Science	1	.....
Kelley, W. H	1	.....
Kiehle, D. L	1	.....
Los Angeles Public Library	.....	1
Lynn, Mass., Public Library	.....	1
Massachusetts Bureau of Labor	4	7
Massachusetts Census Reports	4	.....
Massachusetts Statistics of Manufactures	3	.....
Milwaukee Public Library	.....	1
Minneapolis Bureau of Labor	1	.....
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce	1	.....
Minneapolis Public Library	3	1
Minneapolis Reports of City Officers	1	.....
Minnesota Historical Society	9	.....
Minnesota Secretary of State	33	.....
Newark, N. J., Public Library	.....	1
Newberry Library, Chicago	.....	1
Newton, Mass., Free Library	.....	1
Ohio Forestry Reports	1	.....
Ohio Secretary of State	1	.....
Pechuman, W. F., Detroit	1	.....
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery	.....	1
Philadelphia Hospital Reports	1	.....
Philadelphia Mercantile Library	.....	1
Poughkeepsie Board of Education	.....	1
Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y	.....	1

LIST OF DONORS—Continued.

NAMES.	Vols.	Pams.
Providence Public Library	.....	1
Robinson, H. P	.....	1
St. Joseph Free Public Library	.....	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library	.....	1
St. Louis Merchants' Exchange	.....	1
St. Louis Public Library	.....	1
St. Paul Chamber of Commerce	.....	1
St. Paul Civil Engineering Society	2	.....
St. Paul Report of City Officers	4	.....
St. Paul Workhouse	.....	1
Salem, Mass., Public Library	.....	4
San Francisco Free Public Library	.....	1
Smithsonian Institution	5	.....
Springfield, Mass., City Library Association	.....	7
Toledo, O., Public Library	.....	1
United States Department of Agriculture	2	.....
United States Department of State	49	.....
United States Interior Department	73	.....
United States Patent Office	1	.....
United States War Department	45	.....
Unknown	1	5
Upham, W	.....	1
Vassar, J. G	1	.....
Warren County. Ill., Library	.....	1
Watertown, Mass., Public Library	.....	1
Williams, J. F	126	1
Wilstach, J. A	.....	1
Winchell, W. H	1	.....
Woburn, Mass., Public Library	.....	1
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library	.....	1

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Garden.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Science.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
American Notes and Queries.
Andover Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur,
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Baptist Quarterly Review.
Belgravia.
Blackwoods's Magazine.
Book Buyer.
Bookworm.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Builder and Woodworker.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Union.
Church at Home and Abroad (gift).
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Etude.
Farmer (gift),
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gartenlaube.
Genealogist.
Gentlemen's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Graphic (Chicago).
Graphic (London).
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Illustrated World's Fair.
Inland Architect.
Jeweler's Weekly (gift).

LIST OF SERIALS—Continued.

Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Botany.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy.
Judge.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World (American).
Literary World (English).
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of American History.
Magazine of Art.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Mining Record,
Missionary Review of the World.
Nation.
National Magazine.
National Observer.
Nature.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Englander and Yale Review.
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New Review.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Northwestern Railroader.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette (gift).
Open Court.
Outing.
Overland Monthly.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Presbyterian Review.
Public Opinion (American).
Public Opinion (English).
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American (Architects' and Builders' edition).
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakespeariana.
Shoppell's Modern House.
Spectator.
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal (gift).
Unitarian Review (gift)..
Unity (gift).
Universalist Quarterly.
Velhagen und Klasings Neue Monatshefte.

LIST OF SERIALS—Continued.

Westminster Review.
Wide-Awake.
Woman's Record.
Youths Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal (gift).
Chicago Daily Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwest Chronicle (gift).
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator (gift).
Textile World (gift).
West St. Paul Times (gift).
Woman's Journal (gift).

RECAPITULATION.

	Volumes in the Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	For Use in Room.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Magazines	Paid for Salaries.
1882-3..	*8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884....	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.84	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	3,308	2,887.42	384.26	2,449.27
1886....	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
†1887....	15,115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890....	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891....	30,274	7,742	116,668	29,410	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
†Ten months. The previous library years ended with February.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 30, 1892.

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STANDING COMMITTEES 1892-3.

BUILDING—Auerbach, Peet and Cullen.
ADMINISTRATION—Wright, Carver and Upham.
LIBRARY—Monfort, Carver and Pyle.
FINANCE—Upham, Wright and Peet.
BY-LAWS—Pyle, Monfort and Auerbach.
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LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

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READING ROOM—Miss Maud Smith.
REFERENCE BOOKS—Miss Mamie Carman.
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SUNDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS—Mr. John Rachac.
OCCASIONAL—Miss J. S. Bronson,
JANITOR—Miss Mary Rahn.

ANNUAL REPORT

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ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this their eleventh annual report.

The financial statement of the Secretary of the board, accompanying this report shows that there has been received from the library fund, during the fiscal year ending with December 31st, the sum of $13,686.40, which includes fines collected, lost books paid for, finding lists, etc., $1,030.58; which has been expended as follows: For books and periodicals, $4,992.75; salaries, $5,581.33; binding, $1,372.95; light, $670.56; furniture and repairs, $204.86; stationery and printing, $377.09; insurance, $202.50; postage and expressage, $49.68; sixth ward delivery, $43; and miscellaneous, $101.68.

At the request of a few citizens of the Sixth Ward, referred to in our last report, books were called for at the library and distributed by an agent in that ward to holders of cards, subject to the rules of the library. After a few months trial the experiment not proving satisfactory, apparently to the people of the ward and to the directors, the delivery was discontinued.

Our tenth report showed the number of volumes in the library as 30,274, the number has been increased to 32,722. The book borrowers were 7,742 and are now 8,210. The circulation has increased from 116,668 to 142,048. Other items of interest can be found in the the libriarian's report hereto attached.

The steady growth of the library warns us that we are gradually approaching the time when there will not be shelf room for new books, and it is possible that the time will be reached before the close of the present year. The rooms that were ample three years ago have, by the addition of fifteen thousand volumes, become crowded and inconvenient, and the erection of temporary galleries for the storing of books seems to be the only way to overcome the inconvenience, and make our present quarters answer for a little while longer, until a building can be erected in every way suitable and capacious.

It can be learned, from the experience of other cities, that a convenient and attractive building adds very much to the desire of the citizens to visit

the library, and it is fair to presume that, if our collection was housed in such a structure, the circulation of books would be, in a very short time, more than double what it now is.

St. Paul, March 6, 1893, ALEX RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

1892, January 1: Balance to credit of library fund		$ 2,425.04
March appropriation		12,000.00
August "		2,577.12
November "		181.44
Received from fines	$871.98	
" for finding list	98.80	
" " lost books	44.15	
" " postal notices	14.75	
" " bulletins	.90	
		1,030.58
		$18,214.18

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—		
Librarian and 6 assistants	$4,708.33	
2 Sunday and evening "	349.50	
2 occasional "	73.50	
Janitor	300.00	
Secretary	150.00	
		$5,581.33
Electric light		670.56
Books		4,310.35
Periodicals		682.40
Postage and expressage		49.68
Insurance		202.50
Binding books		992.95
" periodicals		380.00
Furniture—		
5 book cases	$87.90	
1 card catalogue case	29.00	
Barrett's binders	17.11	
Boxes for circulation department	9.00	
Boxes for 6th Ward delivery	9.00	
Sash for reading room desk	15.80	
Frame for photographs of past presidents St. Paul Library Association	8.60	
Sundry items	9.90	
		186.31
Repairs		18.55

Stationery—		
44,000 cards for catalogue cases	73.17	
35,000 book record cards	26.00	
15,000 book pockets	16.00	
Various items	62.62	
		177.79
Printing—		
22,500 index slips	$27.60	
2,500 postals and printing	35.00	
10,000 borrowers cards	32.00	
30,000 reading room slips	25.50	
1,000 Columbus bulletin	15.00	
10,000 readers certificates	17.00	
Various items	47.20	
		199.30
Sixth Ward delivery		43.00
Miscelaneous—		
Washing floors	$180.00	
Sundry items	11.68	
		191.68
		13,686.40
1892, December 31, balance in City Treasury		4,527.78
		18,214.18

St. Paul, January 3, 1893.

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

ST. PAUL, January 2, 1893.

To the Directors of the Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I hereby submit my annual report as Librarian on the condition and work of the Library for the year ending December 31, 1892, being the tenth annual report since the organization of the Public Library.

The statistics of the Library work for the past year following the same arrangement as in former reports, are as follows:

BOOKS.

The number of volumes in the Library at the close of the last report, was 30,274. During the year, 2,990 volumes were added, of which number, 2,690 volumes were acquired by purchase, 272 volumes consisted of bound magazines, and the remainder, 300 volumes, were given to the Library, a detailed statement of which is appended to this report. During the year 500 volumes were

worn out and removed from the shelves; 42 volumes were paid for by borrowers, by reason of being lost. The book account, therefore, stands as follows:

On hand January 1, 1892		30,274
Added up to January 1, 1893:		
By gift	300	
By purchase	2,690	
		2,990
Total		33,264
Deduct books discarded	500	
Deduct books lost and paid for	42	
		542
In library at close of year		32,722

The number of volumes added during the year and the extent of each class is given in the following table.

Most of the accessions in the classes prose fiction and juvenile books, represent volumes added to replace worn out books.

Class.	Accessions of the year.	Total in the Library.
History	186	3,135
Biography	193	2,921
Travels and description	116	1,815
Poetry and drama	69	1,643
Essays and miscellanies	46	913
Collected works	7	411
Language and literature	67	789
Fine arts	65	729
Mathematics		47
Practical arts	137	1,079
Natural science	87	1,248
Political and social science	143	1,082
Mental and moral science	27	434
Ancient classics	17	221
Religion	62	1,204
Medicine	12	157
Law	2	76
Periodicals and newspapers	366	4,472
Public documents and state papers	271	3,387
Bibliography	7	191
Statistics	9	89
Dictionaries and encyclopedias	14	287
English prose fiction	613	4,753
Juvenile literature	444	2,042
Books in foreign languages	30	139
	2,990	33,264

BOOK BORROWERS.

The present number of persons holding cards which entitle them to draw books from the library, is 8,210; an increase of 468 over last year. The number of cards issued during the year, was 4,228, of which 2,074 were to males and 2,154 to females. All borrowers cards are cancelled by limitation at the end of two years. The number of cards cancelled under this rule during the year has been 3,760.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department has been open for the delivery of books 309 days during the year, and the number of volumes taken out for home use was 142,048; for use in the rooms, 35,037, making an aggregate of 177,085 volumes. The daily average issues by months, were as follows:

January	498	February	602	March	598
April	533	May	434	June	404
July	391	August	410	September	424
October	466	November	537	December	533

The amount received for fines was $896.37.

CLASSIFICATION OF CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in ten classes of books for the past year:

History and Biography	9.10
Voyages and Travels	3.53
Arts and Sciences	6.38
Poetry and Drama	2.33
Language and Literature	2.94
Law and Medicine	.54
Religion	.95
Prose Fiction	46.14
Juvenile Literature	27.60
Miscellaneous	.49
	100.

READING ROOM.

The reading room has been open every day in the year except two—Thanksgiving and Christmas. The number of books issued for use in the rooms on week days, was 14,373 volumes. On Sundays, 817. The whole number of visitors on Sundays, was 3,878. The number of serials on file in the reading room, is 197, of which 186 are classed as periodicals, and 11 are newspapers. Of the newspapers, 5 are dailies and 6 are weeklies. A list of all the serials is appended to this report.

BINDERY.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 1,977, of which 335 were periodicals and newspapers, and 1,460 miscellaneous books. The number of books repaired at the library, was 4,519, and 182 were repaired at the bindery.

The following statement shows the growth of the library in books and circulation since the last report:

Increase in number of volumes in library	2,448
Increase in number of book borrowers	468
Increase in circulation	31,009

Respectfully submitted.

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

LIST OF DONORS.

	VOLS.	PAMPH.
American Express Co	1	0
Boston Public Library	2	1
Brett, W. H., Cleveland	0	1
Brookline, Mass., Public Library	0	1
Brooklyn Library, N. Y	0	1
Buckeye Publishing Co	2	0
Carman, G. N	1	0
Chicago Board of Trade	2	0
Chicago Public Library	0	1
Chicago Sunset Club	1	0
Chicago, University of	0	1
Cincinnati Public Library	0	8
Cleveland Public Library	0	1
Confarr, W. P	3	0
Creelmann, Mrs. F. E	1	0
Dalton, J. G., Boston	1	0
Denver Public Library	0	10
Detroit Public Library	0	2
Gordon, H. L	1	0
Hart, H. H	8	0
Harvard University	1	1
Hoppin, H. H	22	0
Lake Forest University	0	1
Los Angeles Public Library	0	9
Lynn, Mass., Public Library	0	1
Maimonides Library	0	1
Massachusetts Bureau of Labor	2	0
Minneapolis Public Library	1	0
Minnesota Historical Society	6	0
Minnesota Secretary of State	15	0
Murray, Lieut. A	1	0
Newark, N. J., Public Library	0	1
Newberry Library, Chicago	0	1
New Haven Public Library	0	1

LIST OF DONORS—*Continued.*

	VOLS.	PAMPH.
Newton, Mass., Free Library	0	1
Pennsylvania, University of	1	1
Peters, E. T., Wash., D. C	0	1
Philadelphia Appentices' Library Co	0	2
Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y	0	1
Prendergast, T. A	7	0
Providence Public Library	0	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library	0	1
St. Louis Public Library	0	1
St. Paul Civil Engineering Soc	1	0
St. Paul Dispatch	1	0
St. Paul Workhouse	0	1
Salem, Mass., Public Library	0	19
Scranton, Penn., Public Library	0	1
Smithsonian Institution	6	0
Springfield, Mass., City Library Association	0	11
Stickney, Mrs. M. W	1	0
Toledo, O., Public Library	0	1
Toledo Board of Railroad Commissioners	1	0
United States Bureau of American Republics	4	0
United States Bureau of Education	2	0
United States Department of Agriculture	3	1
United States Department of State	12	0
United States Interior Department	139	0
United States Patent Office	5	0
United States Treasury Department	2	0
United States War Department	9	0
Unknown	4	1
Vermont, University of, Library	0	1
Watertown Mass., Public Library	0	1
Williams, J. F	30	0
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library	0	1
Wright, Rev. J	1	0

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Agriculturist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Garden.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM—*Continued.*

American Journal of Science.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
American Notes and Queries.
Andover Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astronomy and Astro-Physics.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Baptist Quarterly Review.
Belgravia.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Book Buyer.
Bookworm.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Builder and Woodworker.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chamber's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Union.
Church at Home and Abroad. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM—*Continued.*

Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Etude.
Farmer. (Gift.)
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine.
Good Words.
Graphic (Chicago.)
Graphic (London.)
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Illustrated World's Fair.
Inland Architect.
Jeweler's Weekly. (Gift).
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Botany.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy.
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM—*Continued.*

Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary Northwest.
Literary World. (American).
Literary World. (English).
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of American History.
Magazine of Art.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review of the World.
Nation.
National Magazine.
National Observer.
Nature.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Englander and Yale Review.
New Jerusalem Magazine.
New Review.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Northwestern Railroader.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift).
Open Court.
Outing.
Overland Monthly.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM—*Continued.*

Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Opinion. (American).
Public Opinion. (English).
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Queries.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architects and Builders Edition).
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakespeariana.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal. (Gift).
Universalist Quarterly.
Velhagen und Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Weekly Bulletin.
Westminster Review.
Wide Awake.
Woman's Journal. (Gift.)
Youths' Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift).
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily News.
Saturday Spectator. (Gift).
West St. Paul Times. (Gift).

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Vols. in Library.	Book Borrowers.	Circulation.	For use in Rooms.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodc'ls	Paid for Salaries.
1882–3	* 8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.84	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	3,303	2,887.42	384.26	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887 †	15,115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	29,410	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,210	142,048	35.037	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Asssociation.

† Ten months.

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REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the Hon., the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: The board of directors of the public library respectfully present this, their twelfth annual report.

The accompanying financial statement of the secretary of the board, shows that there has been received from the library fund, during the fiscal year ending with December 31, the sum of $16,315.94, which includes the deposit made each month, of the fines collected, finding lists sold, lost books paid for, and other items mentioned in the secretary's statement, amounting to $1,072.82.

The $16,315.94 has been expended for the following purposes: Salaries, $6,152.50; books, $5,794.94; binding, $1,537.34; periodicals, $716.94; electric light, $643.39; furniture and repairs, $486.77; stationery and printing, $455.49 insurance, $255; washing floors; $180; postage and expressage, $67.06; misce laneous, $26.51.

The librarian's report, which is hereunto annexed, shows the number of volumes at the close of the year 1893 to have been 35,758, which shows an increase of 3,036 volumes over the number in the library at the close of the previous year. The number of book borrowers' cards was 9,077, an increase of 867 over the number in the last annual report. The circulation has increased 31,252 volumes. Other interesting information can be found in the librarian's report, to which you are respectfully referred.

Early in the year just past, the commercial club made an effort to create a a public sentiment in favor of erecting a building for the library. A called meeting of the club and citizens generally, was held on the evening of March 6th, to consider resolutions on the subject. At that meeting, J. G. Pyle, a director of our board, gave an exhaustive review of the library, its history, the restrictions placed upon its growth by present circumstances, and the disadvantages under which it now labors, as compared with similar institutions in other cities, advocating strongly the importance of a fire proof building, and a sufficient tax to be levied for its maintenance. His remarks were followed by those from our director, E. W. Peet, and both were endorsed by Hon. H. F. Stevens, who promised what assistance he could give in the state senate to carry out the resolutions, which were as follows.

First. That the time has come for a determined and systematic effort to secure for the City of St. Paul, a building suitable for the use of a public library.

Second. That the Common Council be urged to issue the bonds allowed by law for the purchase of a site for the public library as soon as this can be legally done.

Third. That, as the first step toward the acquisition of such a building, the present market house and grounds should be sold at as early a date as possible, and the net proceeds held as a nucleus for the building, first, of a public library, and second of an auditorium.

The library committee of the club was authorized to apply to the legislature then in session, for such legislation as would enable the City of St. Paul to sell the market house, and the result can be found in Chapter 215, General laws of 1893.

At the April meeting of our directors, a resolution was adopted to request the city council to issue the $50,000 bonds for the purchase of a library site. The resolution was presented to the council, where it was voted that no bonds be issued until funds are secured for the erection of a library building.

The depression in business throughout the country has had its effect on our city to a degree that makes it impolitic to sell the market house at this time, and there will have to be a delay on that account, The commercial club is to be commended for preparing the way, and thus making it easier for our citizens, when a suitable time arrives, for a renewal of their project.

The directors of the library fully appreciate the advantages that would follow the erection of a suitable building, but do not feel that they should urge it at present, their work being now to accumulate books to such an extent that when the building is erected, there will be a well selected library to put into it.

St. Paul, February 5, 1894.

ALEX RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.

1893, January 1. Balance to credit of Library Fund		$ 4,527.78
December. Tax collections to credit of Library Fund		13,145.76
Received from fines	$92.071	
Received for finding lists	68.40	
Received for lost books	35.85	
Received for lost cards	15.60	
Received for postal notices	15.21	
Received for sale of duplicates	16.03	
Received for magazine subscription returned	1.00	
Received for one bulletin	.02	
		1,072.82
		$18,746.36

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—		
Librarian and seven assistants	$5,280.00	
Three Sunday and evening assistants	422.50	
Janitor	300,00	
Secretary	150.00	
		$6,152.50
Electric light		643.39
Books		5,794.94
Periodicals		716.94
Postage and expressage		67.06
Insurance		255.00
Binding books	$1,055.59	
Binding Periodicals	481.75	
		1537.34
Furniture—		
Typewriter	122.50	
Nine book cases	221.50	
Catalogue case	29.00	
Two drawer cases	21.70	
100 book supports	16.00	
Matting	28.03	
Sundry items	14.05	
		452.78
Repairs		33.99
Stationery—		
56000 catalogue cards	$65.59	
15000 book record cards	11.25	
Sundry items	41.32	
		118.16
Printing—		
200 copies report, 1891	$55.98	
200 copies report, 1892	26.00	
500 copies by-laws	27.50	
27000 certificates	45.00	
10000 sixth series cards	35.00	

35000 reading room blanks	29.75	
10000 index to borrowers and guarantors	25.00	
2000 postal notices	25.00	
1000 postal notices to delinquents	11.00	
5000 pockets	16.00	
Sundry items	41.10	
		337.33
Miscellaneous—		
Washing floors	$180.00	
Sundry items	26.51	
		206.51
		$16,315.94
1893, December 31, balance in city treasury		2,430.42
		$18,746.36

St. Paul, January 2, 1894.

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

St. Paul, January 2, 1894.

To the Directors of the Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit my annual report on the condition and work of the Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1893. The statistics are given below in the order of previous reports.

BOOKS.

The number of volumes in the library January 1, 1893, was 32,722. The entire number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue during the year was 3,973, of which 3,716 were bought and 257 were donated. The number of pamphlets added was 84. During the year there were deducted from the total number of volumes in the library the following items: 904 volumes worn out; 33 books lost and paid for. Of the 904 volumes worn out and condemned, 845 were prose fiction and juvinile books, 31 history, 9 travels, 5 natural science, 4 biography, and the remainder miscellaneous books.

The mumber of volumes added during the year and the extent of each class is given in the following table:

	Accessions of the Year	Total No. in Library
History	278	3,373
Biography	335	3,250
Travels	261	2,056
Poetry and Drama	130	1,767
Essays and Miscellanies	42	943
Collected Works	66	477
Language and Literature	128	912
Fine Arts	112	831
Mathematics	4	51
Practical Arts	200	1,279
Natural Science	132	1,380
Political and Social Science	182	1,262
Mental and Moral Science	69	503
Ancient Classics	9	230
Religion	107	1,311
Medicine	49	205
Law	9	85
Periodicals and Newspapers	501	4,973
Government Documents and State Papers	130	3,517
Bibliography	16	207
Statistics	20	109
Dictionaries and Encyclopedias	34	321
English Prose Fiction	750	4,403
Juvenile Literature	409	2,174
Books in Foreign Languages	.....	139
Totals	3,973	35,758

Of the 1,159 volumes of accessions in the classes, prose fiction and juvenile literature, 845 represent volumes added to replace worn-out books.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The present number of persons holding cards which entitle them to draw books from the library is 9,077, an increase of 867 over last year. The number of cards issued during the year was 4,700, of which 2,434 were to males and 2,266 to females. All borrowers' cards are cancelled by limitation at the end of two years. The number of cards cancelled under this rule during the year was 3,833. In accordance with a vote of the library directors, teachers' cards have been issued, allowing the holder to draw four books from the library at one time, to be used in school work. The number of teachers holding such cards is 220.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department has been open for the delivery of books 306 days during the year, and the number of volumes taken out for home use was 160,977; for use in the rooms 47,360; making an aggregate of 208,337 volumes. The daily average issues by months were as follows:

January	533	May	501	September	560
February	659	June	404	October	605
March	696	July	446	November	665
April	589	August	501	December	661

The largest number of books issued for home use in any one day was 1,885, on February 25; the smallest number, 370, was on June 13.

The amount received for fines was $915.84.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in the ten classes of books for the past year:

History and Biography	8.41
Voyages and Travels	3.71
Science and Art	7.74
Poetry and Drama	2.08
Language and Literature	2.61
Law and Medicine	.49
Religion	.74
Prose Fiction	46.57
Juvenile Literature	27.23
Miscellaneous	.42
	100.00

READING AND REFERENCE ROOM.

Four periodicals have been added to the serials on file in the reading room at the last report, and six are no longer published, making the number now in use 191. Of these 180 are periodicals, and 10 are newspapers. Of the periodicals, 135 are American, 36 English, 5 German, 3 French and 1 Scandinavian. Of the newspapers 4 are dailies, 2 semi-weeklies, and 4 are weeklies.

There were issued for use in the reading and reference rooms on week days 46,350 volumes. For use in the rooms on Sundays 1,010 volumes.

The daily average of the visitors on Sundays was 81.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 2,175, of which 411 were periodicals and newspapers, and 1,764 miscellaneous books.

The number of books repaired at the library was 5,277, and 140 were repaired at the bindery.

ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

The plan pursued for years past of examining the library from the shelf lists has been continued the past year. The result shows only one volume unaccounted for.

Two books that had been stolen from the reference room were recovered at a second hand store. The thief was arrested, tried, convicted and sentenced to the workhouse for ninety days.

The following statement shows the growth of the library in books and circulation since the last report:

Increase in the number of volumes in the library	3,036
Increase in number of book borrowers	867
Increase in circulation	31,252

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. MCCAINE,
Librarian.

LIST OF DONORS.

	VOLS.	PAMPH.
Alexander, J. B	1	
American Board of Foreign Missions	1	
Andrews, C. C		1
Boston Public Library		2
Brentano's, N. Y		1
Bridgeport, Conn Public Library		1
British Commission, Chicago Exposition	1	
Brookline, Mass. Public Library		1
Brooklyn Library, N. Y		2
Buffalo Library, N. Y		2
California State Mining Bureau	1	
Cambridge Public Library	1	
Carman, G. N	1	
Carnegie Free Library, Alleghany, Pa		1
Chicago Board of Trade	1	
Chicago Department of Public Works	1	
Chicago Public Library		1
Cincinnati Public Library		3

Clark, R. & Co., Cinn		1
Clarke, Miss S. M	4	
Cleveland Public Library		1
Concord, N. H. Public Library		2
Confarr, W. P	2	
Cornell University	1	1
Dayton Public Library		1
Denver Public Library	1	5
Denver, University of	1	
Detroit Public Library		1
Gmeiner, J	2	
Grant, W. H	1	
Harger, Miss M	2	
Harvard University	1	1
Haskell, Mrs. P. S	11	
Hill, A. J	21	
Hill, N. P	1	
Illinois State Dental Society		1
Interstate Commerce Commission	1	
Jamaica Commission, Chicago Exposition	1	
Kansas City Public Library		1
Kelley, W. H	1	
Library Bureau	1	
Loomis, K. S	1	
Los Angeles Public Library		3
McCardy, J. J	1	
Mexico Central Railway Co	1	
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce	1	
Milwaukee Public Library		1
Minneapolis Public Library	1	3
Minn. State Board of Corrections and Charities	1	
Minnesota Historical Society	1	1
Moran, G. E	2	
Newark, N. J. Public Library	1	1
New Haven Public Library		2
New York State Reformatory	1	
Newton Mass. Free Library		1
Omaha Public Library		2
Oppenheim, Mrs. A	1	
Peele, W. A. Jr., Indianapolis	1	
Pennsylvania, University of	8	1
Philadelphia Apprentices' Library	1	1
Portland Or. Library Association		1
Pratt, Enoch Free Library		1
Prendergast, T. A	2	
Preuss, Mrs. E. A	7	
Princeton College	2	
Providence Public Library		1

St. Louis Public Library		2
St. Paul Workhouse		1
Salem Mass. Public Library	2	7
Scranton Pa. Public Library	1	1
Sioux City Public Library		1
Smith, Kingsland	11	
Smithsonian Institution	13	
Springfield, Mass. City Library Association		1
United States Bureau of American Republics	7	
United States Bureau of Education	3	1
United States Bureau of Labor	3	
United States Department of State	27	4
United States Interior Department	21	
United States Patent Office	1	
United States Treasury Department	1	
United States War Department	8	
Unknown	2	
Volta Bureau, Washington, D. C	1	
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill		4
Winchell, N. H	20	
Winslow, W. C., Boston, Mass	1	
Woburn, Mass Public Library	1	
Worcester, Mass. Free Public Library		12
Young, W. H	46	

LIST OF SERIALS IN READING ROOM,

Academy.
Aeronautics.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Agriculturist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Garden.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Science.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.

Art Journal.
Astronomy and Astro-Physics.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
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Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.

Scientific American. (Architect's and Builders' Edition.)
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shakespeariana.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Telegraphic Journal and Electrical Review.
Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal. (Gift.)
Velhagen und Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminister Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

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Appeal. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
New York Semi-weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift.)
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St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
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REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul,

Gentlemen: The board of directors of the public library respectfully present this their thirteenth annual report.

There has been received from the tax collections credited to the library fund, during the fiscal year ending with December 31st, the sum of $13,280.74. The money received from fines and from other sources, placed by the secretary in monthly deposits with the city treasurer, amounting to $1,051.73, makes the total drawn from the library fund $14,332.47, which has been expended as follows:

For salaries, $6,480.18; books, $3,460.63; binding, $1,493.54; periodicals, $685.84; light, $325.47; furniture and repairs, $1,053.10; stationery and printing, $308.61; insurance, $255; washing floors, $180; postage and expressage, $52.60; miscellaneous, $37.50.

The accompanying report of the secretary gives a more detailed account, to which you are respectfully referred, and also to the report of the librarian for the year's work of the library.

Previous to the amendment of the city charter, the library fund received the full credit of the $15,000 appropriation. The delinquent taxes will explain why that amount is not now credited, the curtailment amounting in four years, to $6,814.94. Besides this reduction the money that can be appropriated for the purchase of books becomes less, as the increased use of the library requires a larger amount for its administration, and for

the rebinding of books and their replacement with new ones, as fast as they become too much worn for circulation.

Early in the year our space for shelving was nearly occupied and the reading room so overcrowded with readers that efforts were made by owners of real estate on Third street to raise the means to secure the payment of rent for five years of two stories of the Mannheimer building for the use of the library. Their efforts being unsuccessful, our building committee was authorized to procure, if possible, more rooms on the floor we now occupy, and cause to be made all needed alterations to make the library more attractive and useful. The joint commission of the court house and city hall assigned to our use two large rooms on the Cedar street side of the building. The larger room was arranged for a reading room, and the other received the bound newspapers and books not in immediate use, that had been removed from the space that has been fitted up for a delivery of the books for the juvenile readers. The old reading room was arranged for a reference reading room and the changes have added very much to the comfort of our readers and employes. Additional book cases have been set up, and with others as they are needed we will have room for about 15,000 additional volumes, which, with our present slow increase, will give shelf room for about five years. Whether the reading rooms will accommodate for that length of time may be questionable, but at present they are spacious and attractive.

During the summer an application was received from the citizens of the Sixth ward, asking for financial aid from the board of directors to enable them to establish a branch library in that ward. The condition of the library fund prevented the directors from furnishing any encouragement in that direction, although it was the opinion of the members of the board, that, when the library fund shall have been increased to a size that will warrant the outlay, branches might be established in all the wards desiring them.

The beginning of our public library can be traced back to 1857, when the Mercantile Library Association was organized on the 15th day of September in that year. At that time the population of St. Paul was 9,973. The schools, public and private, were nine in number. Of churches there were eleven. The valuation of property for taxation was $3,826,765. The present year it is $134,000,000. There are 112 schools and 168 church organizations. While our schools and churches have been doing their useful work for a large number of our citizens, our library has been collecting books that will be of benefit to all if they make use of them.

The Library Association, that was formed by the union of the collections of the Mercantile with that of the Young Men's Christian Association, labored many years to accumulate the 8,000 volumes that were given to the city when the common council established the public library.

Their 450 readers became at a bound 3,500, and for almost every month since that time there has been an increase, until now we have more than 10,000 reading cards in force. Beginning with 8,051 volumes, we have now 38,389. The first year's circulation was 62,244 volumes, and last year it reached 245,169.

From the early beginning in 1857 the idea has been growing that the increase of the library would, in time, require a proper building to store its volumes. That time seems not far away, with the prospect that the sale of the market house property will provide the means for the purchase of land in a suitable location and the erection of a fire proof building, which is very desirable.

ALEX. RAMSEY,
President.
WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

St. Paul, Feb. 4, 1895.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

1894, January 1. Balance to credit of library fund		$2,430.42
December 31. Tax collections to credit		13,483.00
Received from fines	$918.48	
Received from sale of finding lists	45.40	
Received from lost books	36.42	
Received from lost cards	17.40	
Received from postal notices	22.45	
Received from sale odd magazines	11.58	
		1,051.73
		$16,965.15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—		
Librarian, seven day assistants, three evening, four Sunday, three occasional	$6,030.18	
Janitor	300.00	
Secretary	150.00	
		$6,480.18
Electric light		325.47
Books		3,460.63
Periodicals		685.84
Postage, expressage and freight		52.60
Insurance		255.00
Binding—		
Books	$1,042.89	
Periodicals	450.65	
		1,493.54

Furniture—

Ten book cases	$292.97	
Three tables	53.00	
Gas light fixtures	34.45	
Twenty-four chairs	30.00	
Electric light fixtures	23.91	
Bulletin board	15.50	
Case of drawers	13.50	
Water cooler and stand	10.00	
Matting	5.20	
		478.53

Repairs—

Painting twelve rooms	$309.00	
Alterations by contract	138.00	
Alterations, additional	53.34	
Binders for periodicals	33.76	
Mason work	22.20	
Upholstering	18.27	
		574.57

Printing—

Forty-two hundred postals and printing	$47.00	
Ten thousand Sixth series cards	35.00	
Ten thousand Seventh series cards	32.00	
Two hundred annual reports, 1893	31.00	
Two thousand postals (applications for books)	25.00	
Ten thousand certificates	16.00	
Ten thousand ruled cards	10.50	
Ten thousand manilla cards	7.50	
Printed cards (library bureau)	6.85	
Ten thousand index slips (to guarantors)	6.00	
Ten thousand index slips (to borrowers)	6.00	
Three hundred voucher blanks	5.00	
Three hundred orders on city treasurer	4.00	
Sundry items	13.65	
		245.50

Stationery—

Accession book	$14.00	
Fiction record book	6.50	
Delinquent record book	4.50	
Mucillage	7.65	
Pens	4.75	
Ink	3.47	
Stamps and pads	2.85	
Sundry items	19.39	
		63.11

Miscellaneous—		
Washing floors	$180.00	
Sundry items	37.50	
		217.50
		$14,332.47
Balance Dec. 31, 1894		2,632.68
		$16,965.15

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

St. Paul, Jan. 7, 1895.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

St Paul, Jan. 1, 1895.

To the Directors of the Public Library,

Gentlemen: I herewith submit to you the following statement of the work done in the public library during the year ending Dec. 31, 1894, and of the condition of the library at the close of that year, being the thirteenth annual report of the librarian.

BOOKS.

According to the last annual report there were in the library Jan. 1, 1894, 35,758 volumes. There have been added during the year 3,434 volumes, of which 3,161 were bought and 273 were donated.

During the year there were deducted from the total number of volumes in the library, the following items: 770 volumes worn out; 35 volumes lost and paid for.

The number of volumes added during the year, the increase and extent of each class is given in the following table:

	Number of Volumes in Library, Jan. 1, 1894.	Accessions During the Year.	Total.
History	3,373	162	3,535
Biography	3,250	169	3,419
Travels	2,056	125	2,181
Poetry and Drama	1,767	94	1,861
Essays and Miscellanies	943	55	998
Collected Works	477	10	487
Language and Literature	912	33	945
Fine Arts	831	92	923
Mathematics	51	5	56
Practical Arts	1,279	142	1,421
Natural Science	1,380	92	1,472
Political and Social Science	1,262	118	1,380
Mental and Moral Science	503	38	541
Ancient Classics	230	4	234
Religion	1,311	51	1,362
Medicine	205	22	227
Law	85	4	89
Periodicals and Newspapers	4,973	451	5,424
Government Documents and State Papers	3,517	166	3,683
Bibliography	207	23	230
Statistics	109	4	113
Dictionaries and Encyclop dias	321	11	332
English Prose Fiction	4,403	863	5,266
Juvenile Literature	2,174	611	2,785
Books in Foreign Languages	139	91	230
Total	35,758	3,436	39,194
Less books removed from the shelves			805
Total number of volumes in library Jan. 1, 1895			38,389

Of the 805 volumes removed from the shelves, 423 were juveniles, 303 prose fiction, 20 history, 11 biography, 15 travels, 1 poetry, 7 fine arts, 9 practical arts and 16 miscellaneous books.

DONATIONS.

The number of volumes donated was 273. One of the principal gifts was a collection of 29 volumes presened by C. A. Zimmerman, the well known artist and photographer of this city.

In a note referring to these volumes Mr. Zimmerman says: "They are all rare and important works, giving the rise and progress of photography for a number of years."

W. H. Kelley donated 37 volumes, A. J. Hill 24 volumes, and Rev. J. W. Natrass 10 volumes.

A complete list of the donors follows this report.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The present number of persons holding cards which entitle them to draw books from the library for home use is 10,279, an increase of 1,202 over the number reported last year.

The total registration of the year was 5,484, of which 2,681 were males and 2,803 females. The number of cards concelled during the year was 4,282. Teachers' cards, allowing the holder to draw four books from the library at one time to be used in school work, have been issued to the number of 339.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 304 days during the past year, and the number of volumes taken out for home use was 188,495; for use in the rooms 56,674, making an aggregate of 245,169 volumes.

The daily average issues by months were as follows:

January	711	July	501
February	742	August	526
March	735	September	493
April	639	October	616
May	527	November	627
June	498	December	640

The largest number of books issued for home use in any one day was 1,560 on March 24th; the smal'est number 432 was on August 8th.

The amount received for fines was $924.71.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in the ten classes of books for the past year:

History and Biography	8.25
Voyages and Travels	3.65

Poetry and Drama	2.06
Science and Arts	8.36
Language and Literature	2.92
Law and Medicine	.47
Religion	.91
Prose Fiction	45.57
Juvenile Literature	27.32
Miscellaneous	.49

READING AND REFERENCE ROOMS.

In August the library was extended by two additional rooms, one for storage of books and the other for a general reading room. The new reading room was opened to the public on August 7th, and the former reading room has since been used for reference purposes only, thus affording better accommodations for persons desiring to study. Since this change was made the use of the reference books has more than doubled.

The present reading room, although larger than the one formerly used is generally crowded with readers to its full seating capacity.

Of the number of serials kept on file in the reading room 12 are no longer published, 3 having been discontinued, and 8 new ones added, making the number now on file 184. Of these 175 are periodicals and 9 are newspapers. Of the periodicals 127 are American, 39 English, 5 German, 3 French and 1 Scandinavian.

There were issued for use in the rooms on week days 55,026 volumes; for use in the rooms on Sundays 1,648 volumes. The daily average of visitors on Sundays was ninety-six.

FINDING LIST AND CARD CATALOGUE.

A supplement to the finding list has just been issued. It contains titles of about 8,000 volumes added to the library since the publication of the first finding list in June, 1892.

The card catalogue has been kept complete up to the latest book received.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 1,985, of which 356 were periodicals and 1,629 miscellaneous books.

The number of books repaired at the library was 7,264; the number repaired by the binder was 88.

The following statement shows the growth of the library in books and circulation since the last report:

Increase in the number of volumes in the library	2,631
Increase in the number of book borrowers	1,202
Increase in the circulation	36,832

Respectfully submitted,
HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY—1894.

Name of Donor.	Vols.	Pamph.
Aguilar Free Library, N. Y.	..	1
American Swedenborgian Printing and Publishing Co., N. Y.	12	..
Arena Publishing Co., Boston	1	..
Astro-Philosophical Society, Denver	1	..
Austin, J. O., Providence, R. I.	2	..
Boston Public Library	..	1
Brazilian Section, Columbian Exposition	1	..
Bridgeport, Conn., Public Library	..	1
Brookline, Mass., Public Library	..	1
Brooklyn Library, N. Y.	..	1
Buffalo Public Library	..	1
California State Mining Bureau	..	1
Carnegie Free Public Library, Alleghany, Pa.	..	1
Chicago Board of Trade	1	..
Chicago, Board of Trustees, Sanitary District of	1	..
Chicago Public Library	..	1
Chicago, University of	1	..
Cincinnati Public Library	..	4
Clarke, Miss S. M.	2	..
Cleveland, H. W. S.	1	..
Concord, N. H., Public Library	..	1
Confarr, W. P.	1	..
Cudmore, P.	1	..
Dayton Public Library	..	1
Detroit Public Library	..	1
Electrical World Publishing Co., N. Y.	1	..
Foster, L. S., N. Y.	..	1
Harlem Library	..	1
Harris, W. T., Washington, D. C.	1	1
Harvard University	5	..
Helena Public Library	..	5
Hill, A. J.	24	..
Holland Society of New York	1	..
Humanitarian League, N. Y.	1	..
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia	..	1
Japanese Section, Columbian Exposition	5	..
Kansas Academy of Science	1	..
Kelley, Miss E. L.	3	..
Kelley, W. H.	37	..
Kieffer, Hon. A. R.	4	..
Lenox Library, New York City	..	1
Lodge Cech. No. 12, C. S. P. S., Chicago	1	..
Lynn, Mass., Public Library	..	1

McClurg, A. C. & Co., Chicago	1	..
Matthews, A., New York City	2	..
Merritt, Gen. W.	..	1
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce	1	..
Milwaukee Public Library	..	1
Minneapolis Public Library	1	3
Minnesota State Board of Charities and Corrections	1	..
Natrass, Rev. J. W.	10	..
Newark, N. J., Public Library	..	1
Newton, Mass., Free Library	..	1
New York Industrial Education Association	1	..
Oregon Library Association	..	7
Oahspe Publishing Co., Boston	1	..
Philadelphia Apprentices' Library	..	2
Philadelphia Free Library	1	..
Pearson, H. G., Memorial Committee, N. Y.	1	..
Peoria, Ill., Public Library	..	1
Pierce Steam Heating Co., Buffalo	1	..
Poole, W. F.	1	..
Pope, Rev. W. C.	1	..
Portland, Ore., Library Association	..	6
Pratt, Enoch, Free Library	..	1
Prendergast, T. A.	7	..
Providence Public Library	..	1
St. Joseph, Mo., Free Public Library	..	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library	..	1
St. Paul Press Club	1	..
Salem, Mass., Public Library	..	13
San Francisco, Public Library	..	1
Scranton, Pa., Public Library	..	1
Sheehan, J. V., Ann Arbor	1	..
Smithsonian Institution	9	..
Springfield, Mass., City Library Association	..	12
Swansea Public Library, Swansea, Wales	..	2
Tacoma City Library	..	2
Taylor, Mrs. S. S.	1	..
Topeka Free Public Library	1	..
United States Bureau of American Republics	1	..
United States Bureau of Education	5	..
United States Bureau of Labor	6	..
United States Department of Agriculture	7	..
United States Department of State	10	..
United States Interior Department	43	..
United States National Museum	1	..
United States Patent Office	4	..
United States War Department	6	..
University of Minnesota Experiment Station	2	..

Unknown	5	..
Watertown, Mass., Free Public Library	..	1
Wilson, G. L.	..	1
Woburn, Mass., Free Public Library	..	1
Wolff, Mrs. A.	11	..
Woman's Board of World's Fair Managers of Connecticut.	1	..
Woodman, E. E.	1	..
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library	..	13
Zimmerman, C. A.	29	..

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS IN THE READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Gardening.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Science.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Architectural Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Belgravia.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Bookbuyer.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Builder and Woodworker.

Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Church at Home and Abroad (Gift).
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Electrician and Electrical Engineer.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.

Good Roads.
Graphic.
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harper's Young People.
Housekeeper.
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Inland Architect.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Hygiene.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy.
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.
Life.
L' Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review of the World.
Music.
Nation.
National Observer.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.

New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Review.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette (Gift).
Outing.
Outlook.
Overland Monthly.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Railway Age.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architects' and Builders' Edition.)
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen und Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.

Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal (Gift).
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Duluth Posten (Gift).
Morning Call.
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle (Gift).
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator (Gift).
Ugeblsdet (Gift).
Vart Hem. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times (Gift).

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REPORT OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul,

Gentlemen: The board of directors of the public library respectfully present this their fourteenth annual report.

The amount credited to the library fund from the tax collections of the fiscal year ending with December 31st has been $14,217. The money received from fines, sale of finding lists, and other sources has been deposited with the city treasurer, amounting to $1,094.74. From this total of $15,311.74 there has been drawn $15,019.53, which has been expended as follows:

For salaries, $6,875.97; books, $3,756.75; binding, $1,595.88; periodicals, $710.44; light, $587.83; finding list supplement, $461; insurance, $255; printing, $258.05; stationery, $161.51; cleaning rooms, $180; shelving, $90.87; postage and expressage, $45.97; repairs and alterations, $40.40; and various small items, $49.86.

From the report of the librarian you will learn that the circulation has been 186,336 volumes, taken out for home use; a falling off as compared with previous year of 2,159 volumes. A comparison of the circulation of fiction for the two years shows, for 1894, 137,427 volumes, and for 1895, 134,188 volumes, a decrease of 3,239, leaving a gain of 1,080 volumes for other kinds of reading. The following classification, taken from the librarian's report for the two years, shows where the gain has been.

	1894.	1895
History and biography	8.25	8.62
Voyages and travels	3.65	4.24
Poetry and drama	2.06	2.60
Science and arts	8.36	8.06
Language and literature	2.92	3.04
Law and medicine	.47	.57
Religion	.91	.93
Prose fiction	45.57	42.12
Juvenile literature	27.32	29.37
Miscellaneous	.49	.45
Total	100	100

The first year that the St. Paul Public Library was opened, in 1883, the purchases of fiction were to replace worn-out books. Fiction at that time was classified with juvenile literature, and was not separated in the annual reports until 1890. Hence the term fiction will have to include the two kinds of literature in making up the statistics to be presented. The fourth report of the directors shows their intention to limit the purchases in that line, as they said, "the proportion of fiction that has been purchased the past year is eleven and one-fourth per cent; the previous year it was fourteen and a half per cent." Up to the year 1887 only 246 books of fiction were added, besides those required to replace others that had been worn out.

The circulation of fiction the first year was 43,777 volumes. The following years, to 1887, it was consecutively 46,081, 40,702, 42,107, and 37,398, the circulation having been kept down for want of new books. In 1888 323 new books in that line were added; in 1889, 493; in 1890, 977. From that year to the present 2,729 volumes have been added, besides replacing those that have been worn out.

The per cent of fiction purchased since 1885, when it was eleven and one-fourth per cent, has been on the increase every year, until in 1894 it reached 52.28. The fiction circulation has been, for 1888, 52,321, increasing yearly until it reached 137,427 in 1894.

Comparing that of 1883, 43,777, with that of 1895, 134,188, shows the increase in fiction circulation to be three and one-sixteenth times as many. The circulation of other classes of books for the same years, gives: For voyages and travels, 2,135 and 7,809, or three and five-eighths times as many; history and biography, 4,488 and 16,106, or three and five-ninths times as many; poetry and drama, 960 and 4,035, or four and one-eighth times as many; sciences and arts, 1,268 and 15,080, or eleven and seven-eighths times as many.

Statistics of public libraries show that the circulation of fiction is about seventy-two per cent. This includes juvenile literature, which contains much that is historical and biographical. A separation of the two in our library brings the true fiction down to about forty-two per cent. The secretary made a list of the books of fiction that were taken out in the month of February, 1890, for the purpose, mainly, to learn which were the popular books. The number of books taken on each card was also made up, and the list showed that one card had been charged with nine different books in the twenty-eight days. While that person was reading nine books, nine others were reading as many on subjects that would take a month for each. The statistics of circulation would be fifty per cent fiction, fifty per cent all other classes; the statistics of the readers would be ten per cent readers of fiction, ninety per cent for all others.

The division in 1890 showed circulation for fiction, 47,936; juveniles, 26,488; in 1895, fiction, 79,095; juveniles, 55,093; the increase of juveniles since 1890 being more than double, while fiction is less than three-fourths more. Probably every cardholder reads some fiction, and in the absence of the record we can only estimate that about a thousand persons is the possible number who read nothing else, and the balance of our 10,000

cardholders find in our collection of 40,000 volumes matter that interests them.

The juvenile department of our library has no limited age for readers. The youngest can find books adapted to their ages, many libraries having made the age of twelve years as the period when readers could commence receiving cards, our fiction and juveniles together should appear large.

There may be a question with some persons as to the propriety of a public library spending money to encourage the reading of fiction. The two experiments of our library show that the circulation can be made large by purchasing extensively, or it can be reduced by limiting the supply. In Emerson's essay on "Books," he said, "Never read any book that is not a year old." If public librarians could apply that rule to the purchase of fiction, only selecting those books that were popular at the end of the year, many of the volumes in that line never would be placed on their library shelves.

Of our 40,000 volumes, 5,300 of them are fiction, 2,700 juveniles, 5,700 periodicals, 3,800 government documents, 2,500 reference books, leaving 20,000 miscellaneous for circulation. A spectator passing among our cases, and noticing the worn appearance of the circulation books, would estimate that more than ninety-five per cent of them had been used by readers.

During the past year an application for a delivery station in Summit Park Addition has been received and denied, for the same reason that was given in 1894 to applicants from the Sixth ward—want of funds. It might be desirable to establish stations in many districts of the city, and until our income is increased, all such applications will have to be regretfully declined.

A suggestion has been made that the library be placed in market hall, on account of the large space and more convenient access from the street. There are 13,500 square feet in the market hall floor. Our present rooms cover 9,200. The easy access to market hall would increase the number of the frequenters to the reading rooms at least fifty per cent and to the circulation twenty-five per cent. The reading-rooms could be made much larger and our crowded book cases placed at a working distance apart. The addition of several thousand books would soon fill the shelves, and in four or five years the library would be ready for another move. It will be better to remain where we are until accommodations of three or four times the number of square feet in market hall can be provided. The move to that hall would be from a fireproof building to a constant risk of fire.

ALEX. RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.
St. Paul, Jan. 7, 1896.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

1895, January 1st. Balance to credit of library fund		$2,632.68
December 31st. Tax collections		14,217.00
Received from fines	$917.84	
Received from sale of finding lists	84.80	
Received from lost books	39.57	
Received from lost cards	16.40	
Received from postals	27.74	
Received from overpaid	8.39	
		1,094.74
Total		$17,944.42

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries—Librarian, eight day assistants, three evening, four Sunday and three occasional		$6,875.97
Electric light, $141.96 of the amount should have been paid in 1894		587.83
Books		3,756.75
Periodicals		710.44
Postage, expressage, and freight		45.97
Binding books	$1,177.03	
Binding periodicals	418.85	
		1,595.88
Insurance		255.00
Furniture and shelving		90.87
Repairs and alterations		40.40
Printing		208.05
Stationery		161.51
Miscellaneous—Finding list supplement		461.00
Washing floors		180.00
Various items		49.86
Total		$15,019.53
December 31st, balance in city treasury		2,924.89
		$17,944.42

WM. H. KELLEY,
Secretary Board of Directors.

St. Paul, Jan. 7, 1896.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 7, 1896.

To the Directors of the Public Library,

Gentlemen: I herewith submit to you the fourteenth annual report of the librarian on the condition and statistics of the library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1895.

BOOKS.

The present number of books in the Library is 40,773. The number reported last year was 38,389.

There have been added during the year 3,164 volumes, of which 3,035 were bought and 129 donated. The number of volumes worn out and condemned was 780, of which 427 were juvenile books, 280 prose fiction, 17 history, 2 biography, 15 travels, 10 poetry, and 29 in other classes.

The number of volumes lost and paid for was 37.

In the following table is shown a classified analysis of the entire accessions of the year, and the net increase and extent of each class in the library:

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total No. of Vols in Library.
History	188	171	3,686
Biography	212	210	3,618
Travels	147	132	2,298
Poetry and drama	80	70	1,930
Essays and miscellanies	48	43	1,025
Collected works	18	18	505
Language and literature	53	53	998
Fine arts	65	65	981
Mathematics	3	3	59
Practical arts	108	103	1,515
Natural science	110	107	1,579
Political and social science	133	130	1,510
Mental and moral science	25	25	566
Ancient classics	2	2	236
Religion	70	69	1,431
Medicine	16	15	242
Law	4	4	93
Periodicals and newspapers	331	320	5,744
Government documents and state papers	78	78	3,761
Bibliography	15	15	245
Statistics	8	8	121
Dictionaries and Encyclopædias	20	20	352
English prose fiction	659	379	5,342
Juvenile literature	701	274	2,636
Books in foreign literature	70	70	300
Total	3,164	2,384	40,773

DONATIONS.

The number of volumes and pamphlets donated to the Library was 129 and 219 respectively. A complete list of the donors follows this report.

REGISTRATION.

The present number of persons holding cards which entitle them for two years to draw books from the Library for home use is 10,471; an increase of 192 over the number reported last year.

The total registration of the year was 4,891, of which 2,405 were males and 2,486 females. The number of cards canceled during the year was 4,700. Teachers' cards, allowing the holder to draw four books from the Library at one time, to be used in school work, have been issued to the number of 478, an increase of 139 during the year.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The Library has been closed every legal holiday during the year and has been open for the delivery of books 305 days.

The number of volumes taken out for home use was 186,336; for use in the rooms 54,829, making an aggregate of 241,165 volumes.

The daily average issues by months were as follows:

January	890	July	606
February	980	August	597
March	992	September	602
April	803	October	788
May	718	November	922
June	753	December	850

The largest number of books issued on any one day was 1,906 on February 23d, the smallest number 248, September 11th.

The amount received for fines from delinquent book borrowers was $924.09.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in each of the ten departments of the Library named below:

History and biography	8.62
Voyages and travels	4.24
Poetry and drama	2.60
Science and art	8.06
Language and literature	3.04
Law and medicine	.57
Religion	.93
Prose fiction	42.12
Juvenile literature	29.37
Miscellaneous	.45
	100.00

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

There were issued for use in the reference room on week days 52,980 volumes; for use on Sundays, 1,848.

The daily average of visitors on Sundays was 25; reading room, 94.

The serials kept on file in the reading room number 198. Of these 181 are periodicals and 17 newspapers. Of the periodicals 66 are weeklies, 80 monthlies, 9 fortnightly, 2 bi-monthly, and 24 quarterly. Of the newspapers, 4 are dailies, 2 semi-weekly, and 11 weekly.

BINDING.

The number of volumes bound during the year was 2,209, of which 328 were periodicals and 1,881 miscellaneous books.

The number of books repaired at the Library was 4,382; the number repaired by the binder was 122.

ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

The annual examination of the Library has been made by the same methods, and with the same care as in previous years. Every book belonging to the Library has either been found and checked off on the shelf list, or it is reported missing.

The result of the examination is that 17 volumes are now unaccounted for. Of these 11 are prose fiction, 2 juvenile literature, 1 social science, 1 natural science, and 2 miscellanous books.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

LIST OF DONATIONS—1895.

	Books.	Pamphs.
Aguilar Free Library, New York City	..	1
Alton, G. B., Minneapolis, Minn	..	1
Ames, J. G., Washington, D. C	1	..
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass	..	2
Babcock & Wilcox Co., New York City	2	..
Blagden, S., Boston, Mass	2	..
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	..	1
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn	..	1
Brookline Public Library, Brookline, Mass	..	1
Brooklyn Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	..	1
California State Mining Bureau, San Francisco, Cal	1	..
Carnegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	..	1
Castle, H. A	1	..
Chaney, J. B	1	..
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	..	1
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	..	2
City Library, Tacoma, Wash	..	1
City Library Association, Springfield, Mass	..	13
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	1	1
Coburn, F. D., Topeka, Kan	1	..
Dayton Public Library, Dayton, Ohio	..	1
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	..	1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	..	2
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	..	1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	..	4
Fitzgerald, D., Boston, Mass	1	..
Franklin Reformatory Home, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Gordon Technical College, Geelong, Australia	..	1
Gray, W. R., London, England	1	..
Hall, L. V	2	..
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	2	..
Helena Public Library, Helena, Mont	..	5
Hill, A. J	16	..
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Jackson, W., Boston, Mass	1	..
Knowles, J. P	2	..
Lenox Library, New York City	..	1
Le Soudier, L., Paris, France	1	..
Levy, L., Cincinnati, Ohio	1	..
Leyton Public Library, Leyton, England	..	1
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	..	2
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	..	1
McCardy, J. J	2	..
McDonald, G., Austin, Tex	1	..
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	..

LIST OF DONATIONS—1895.—CONTINUED.

	Books	Pamphlets
Minneapolis City Officers, Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	..	3
Minnesota Academy of Natural Sciences, Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Minnesota Bureau of Labor, St. Paul, Minn	1	..
Minnesota State Reform School, Red Wing, Minn	..	1
National Civil Service Reform Association, Washington, D. C.	..	17
New York Central & Hudson River Railroad	1	..
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	..	1
Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill	..	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	..	1
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill	1	..
Our Library, Portland, Ore	..	2
Peele, W. A., Indianapolis, Ind	1	..
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa.	..	1
Pocock, H. J., St. Louis, Mo	1	..
Porter & Coates, Philadelphia	1	..
Presto Co., Chicago, Ill	1	..
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	..	1
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	..	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	..	1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	..	3
St. Paul Workhouse	..	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	1	11
San Francisco Free Public Library, San Francisco, Cal	..	3
San Francisco Mercantile Library Association, San Francisco, Cal	..	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	1	..
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	6	..
Snead Iron Works, Louisville, Ky	1	..
Thorne, J., New York City	2	..
United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C	1	..
United States Bureau of Labor	2	1
United States Civil Service Commission	5	..
United States Department of Agriculture	6	89
United States Department of State	1	..
United States Interior Department	30	..
United States Navy Department	8	..
United States Patent Office	3	..
United States Treasury Department	3	..
United States War Department	2	..
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn	2	..
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa	3	..
University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt	..	1
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis	..	12

LIST OF DONATIONS—1895.—CONTINUED.

	Books	Pamphlets
Unknown	1	1
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill.	..	3
Watertown Public Library, Watertown, Mass.	..	1
Winchell, N. H., Minneapolis, Minn.	1	..
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass.	..	1
Wolff, Mrs. A.	1	..
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass.	..	12
	129	219

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOMS.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Gardening.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Architectural Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Belgravia.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.

Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Church at Home and Abroad.
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Engineer.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Financial Record. (Gift.)
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.

Golden Rule.
Good Government.
Good Words.
Graphic. (London.)
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Round Table.
Harper's Weekly..
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Inland Architect.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Hygiene.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
L. A. W. and Good Roads.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopal Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review of the World.
Music.
Nation.
National Builder.

National Observer.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Review.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Outing.
Outlook.
Overland Monthly.
Park and Cemetery. (Gift.)
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Railway Age.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architect's and Builder's Edition.)
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.

Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen und Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Den Danske Amerikaner. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Jewish Messenger. (Gift.)
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator. (Gift.)
Superior Leader. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Vart Heim. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)

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ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Organized September 25th, 1882,

OFFICERS:

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, President.
MAURICE AUERBACH, Vice-President.
WILLIAM H. KELLEY, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

ALEXANDER RAMSEY,	Term expires	April 30,	1897
HENRY P. UPHAM,	"	"	1897
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT,	"	"	1897
OTTO H. AROSIN,	"	"	1898
DELOS A. MONFORT,	"	"	1898
J. G. PYLE,	"	"	1898
MAURICE AUERBACH,	"	"	1899
EMERSON W. PEET,	"	"	1899
DR. C. E. BEAN,	"	"	1899

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1896-7.

BUILDING—Auerbach, Pyle and Arosin.
ADMINISTRATION—Peet, Wright and Upham.
LIBRARY—Monfort, Bean and Peet.
FINANCE—Upham, Wright and Bean.
BY-LAWS—Pyle, Monfort and Auerbach.

LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

ASSISTANTS.

CATALOGUE—Misses Jennie E. Randall and Maud Smith.
CIRCULATION—Miss Lizzie W. Clute and Mr. Chas. D. Metcalf.
CIRCULATION, JUVENILES—Miss Anne Hammond.
READING ROOM—Miss Mary Rahn.
REFERENCE ROOM—Misses J. S. Bronson and Julia Hess.
Four others for Sunday attendance.
Three others for evening service, and two occasional.
JANITOR—Miss Lucy Rahn.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul.

Gentlemen:—The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this their fifteenth annual report.

The amount credited to the library fund from the tax collections for the fiscal year ending December 31, has been $13,647.84. The amount received from fines, sale of finding lists and other sources, has been credited to the fund, amounting to $1127.86, these amounts added to the balance on hand, January 1, 1896, $2924.89, makes the total of $17,700.59, from which warrants have been drawn for $15,300.22, which cover expenditures as follows: For salaries $7021.26, books $4307.65, periodicals $692.64, light $552.14, binding $1317.86, insurance $255, postage and expressage $57.84, furniture $184.33, repairs $98.45, printing $247.80, stationery $115.35, finding lists $155.10, cleaning rooms $180, and miscellaneous $269.90, making the aggregate of $15,300.22.

Early in the year the library was severely criticised, in a sermon by a Reverend gentleman who could not find the books he wanted. He had not learned that a book was kept for the purpose of recording applications for volumes to be purchased. With our limited means, more attention has been given to the purchase of books for readers than scholars, and as an illustration of the weakness of the collection, in one direction, the following is related:

During the presidential campaign the newspapers, in their sound money articles, referred to the Gresham law. An enquirer, wishing to learn the origin of that law, read in a book from our library, that Sir Thomas Gresham was an authority on Finance during the reign of Henry VIII and Elizabeth, and that he addressed a letter to that queen, explaining that the debasement of the coin by Henry VIII was the cause of the disappearance of all good coin.

Unbeknown to Gresham, Copernicus had in 1526, written a treatise for Sigismund I, King of Poland, in which he stated that it is impossible for good full-weighted coin and for degraded and debased coin to circulate together, but the good coin is hoarded, melted down, or exported, and the degraded, and debased coin alone remains in circulation.

Copernicus did not know when he wrote his treatise, that in the year 1364, Charles V of France had referred the debasement of the coinage to Nicolas Oresme, one of his councillors, who wrote a treatise in which he anticipated by two hundred years what has been designated as the law of Gresham.

Our enquirer could not find any book in our library that gave the original, but only what somebody had said was written by Gresham, and Copernicus and Oresme. We humbly admit to the investigator in his search that our shelves are not so richly laden as we could desire, on any topic, and only hope with the improved times to relieve ourselves from such criticism.

The class of books wanted could be purchased, if the present limit of 15,000 dollars could be repealed and leave the half mill tax for the limit, as provided in the Act of the Legislature.

As long as the library remains in the City Hall building no large amount will be needed, but if an annual appropriation of 20,000 dollars could be obtained, the library might realize 18,000 dollars from it, as it never has, in any one year, had the 15,000 dollars since the Bell charter was put in operation, the Secretary's report shows that the amount received for the past year was, $13,647.84, the delinquent taxes being the cause of the deficiency.

The use of the library is increasing every year with its growth, and with the small yearly increase in the number of the volumes, the space allotted to them is nearly filled.

Our reading rooms if increased to double their size would be none too large for the accommodation of those who frequent them.

Our readers appreciate the opportunity of adding to their knowledge on every subject of interest to them, and as the library is for the use and benefit of all our citizens, the time will come when a suitable home will be prepared for it.

St. Paul, January 5, 1897.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

1896, January 1, Balance			$2,924.89
March 14, Credited to library	$5,000.00		
June 26 " " "	7,000.00		
August 19 " " "	1,274.40		
September 22 " " "	98.40		
October 5 " " "	54.00		
November 17 " " "	99.84		
November 23 " " "	19.20		
December 3 " " "	102.00		
		$13,647.84	
Received for fines			955.77
" " finding lists			130.20
" " lost cards			15.20
" " postal notices			25.44
" " lost book			1.25
			$17,700.59

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries:	Librarian and eight assistants	$5,392.00	
	Janitor	300.00	
	Three evening assistants	540.00	
	Four Sunday assistants	156.00	
	Five occasional assistants	483.26	
	Secretary	150.00	
			$7,021.26
Books			4,307.65
Periodicals			692.64
Light			552.14
Binding books		$997.31	
Binding periodicals		320.55	
			1,317.86
Insurance			255.00
Postage and Expressage			57.84
Furniture:	Three book cases	$52.87	
	One dozen chairs	48.00	
	Book supports	30.00	
	Card catalogue case	24.80	
	Chair tips	14.56	
	Pamphlet boxes	8.25	
	Wire gate	5.85	
			$184.33

Repairs:	Binders for periodicals	$58.70	
	Light fixtures	16.35	
	Matting	11.75	
	Chairs	1.75	
	Sundry small items	9.90	
			$98.45
Printing:	6,000 postals for various purposes	$70.75	
	250 Reports 1895	33.00	
	12,000 Library cards	28.80	
	20,000 Certificates	20.50	
	30,000 Index papers	18.00	
	1,500 Special cards	12.00	
	20,000 Pocket cards	10.00	
	500 warrants, 500 vouchers, 200 postals for Secretary	16.00	
	Various small items	38.75	
			$247.80
Stationery;	20,000 Cards for catalogue	$25.60	
	5,000 Pockets	16.00	
	15,000 Catalogue cards	15.75	
	Mucilage	9.00	
	Pens	5.85	
	Cash book for Secretary	5.75	
	Pencils	4.75	
	Delinquent record book	4.50	
	Stamps and ink	3.67	
	Writing ink	3.50	
	Blank books	3.30	
	Sundry small items	17.68	
			$115.35
Miscellaneous:	Washing floors	$180.00	
	Finding list, 2nd supplement	155.10	
	Expenses of delegate to conference of the American Library Association	73.75	
	Cleaning carpets, etc	9.05	
	Cleaning walls	3.00	
	Decorations for G. A. R	3.05	
	Sundry items	25.95	
			$449.90
			$15,300.22
1896; December 31, balance in City Treasury			2,400.37
			$17,700.59

St Paul, January 7, 1897.

Wm. H. Kelley,
Secretary of the Board of Directors.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library.

Gentlemen:—I herewith respectfully submit the fifteenth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1896.

The work of the Library compares favorably with that of preceding years. There has been a gradual increase in registration each year since the Library was opened to the public. Last year there was a slight falling off in the circulation, but this year surpasses that of any other both in registration and circulation. The statistics are given below in the order of previous reports.

BOOKS.

The number of volumes in the Library has been increased from 40.773 mentioned in the last annual report, to 43.100. There have been added during the year 3561 volumes. of which 3442 were bought and 119 donated. The number of volumes worn out and discarded was 1197. of which 614 were juvenile books, 464 prose fiction, 36 history, 4 biography, 38 travels, 6 poetry and drama and 35 in other classes. The number of volumes lost and paid for was 37.

In the following table is shown a classified analysis of the entire accessions of the year, and the net increase and extent of each class in the Library:

	Total accessions of the year.	Net accessions of the year.	Total No. of volumes in Library.
History	252	213	3,899
Biography	203	198	3,816
Travels	213	172	2,470
Poetry and Drama	162	154	2,084
Essays and Miscellanies	53	18	1,043
Collected Works	25	25	530
Language and Literature	95	93	1,091
Fine Arts	124	123	1,104
Mathematics	9	9	68
Practical Arts	171	170	1,685
Natural Science	116	115	1,694
Political and Social Science	130	130	1,640
Mental and Moral Science	48	47	613
Ancient Classics	7	7	243
Religion	95	95	1,526
Medicine	27	27	269
Law	12	12	105
Periodicals	328	328	6,072
Government Documents and State Papers	57	57	3,818
Bibliography	25	25	270
Statistics	14	14	135
Dictionaries and Encyclopaedies	13	13	365
English Prose Fiction	650	173	5,515
Juvenile Literature	703	80	2,716
Foreign Literature	29	29	329
Total	3,561	2,327	43,100

It will be seen that of the 1353 volumes of accessions in the classes prose fiction and juvenile literature, 1100 were added to replace books worn out.

Among the more important additions may be mentioned the following; L'architecture Francaise, 4 vols., 4to; Wagner's Prose Works, 4 vols., 8vo; Homes and Haunts of Shakespeare, fol: National Cyclopaedia of American Biography, 6 vols., 8vo; Book of the Fair, 4 vols., fol; Jeremy Taylor's complete Works, 10 vols., 8vo; The Arabian Horse, his Country and People, 4to; Normand's Empire Ornaments, Furniture, etc., fol: Wyatt's Art of Illuminating, 4to: Hughes' Dictionary of Islam 8vo; Chaucer's Works, Edited by Skeat, 6 vols., 8vo; Drake's Founders of New England, 8vo: Muther's History of Modern Painting. 3 vols., 8vo; London Churches of the 17th and 18th centuries, fol; Le Musee de Sculpture Comparee du Palais du Trocadero, 3 vols., fol; Chamber's Encyclopaedia, Edition of 1896, 10 vols., 8vo: Colonial Architecture and Furniture, 2 vols., fol; Thompson's Art Anatomy of Animals, fol; Photographs of the Boston Public Library, fol; Sloane's Napoleon Bonaparte, vols. 1 and 2. 4to: Palais de Fountainbleau, fol.

DONATIONS.

The number of volumes and pamphlets donated to the Library was 119 and 117 respectively. The following gift from the Maharaja of Jeypore, India, is worthy of special mention. This work consists of six portfolios of accurate architectural details of the temples and mosques of India, preserved by photography and photolithography, with short descriptive notes of the places from which they have been taken. The drawings are done to scale and arranged in parts, each sheet loose. These portfolios contain 374 plates interesting to artists and artizans. The subjects are as follows: Copings and plinths, pillars, caps and bases, carved doors, arches and balustrades. A complete list of donors and their gifts follows this report.

BOOK BORROWERS.

The number of persons holding library cards which entitle them to draw books for home use is 11,000; an increase of 529 over the number reported last year. The total number of registrations of the year was 6012, of which 2602 were males and 3210 females.

The number of cards cancelled was 5483. Teachers' cards were issued to the number of 126.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The Library was open for the delivery of books 303 days. The number of volumes taken out for home use was 202,053; for use in the rooms 58,043 making an aggregate circulation of 260,096 volumes. The aggregate circulation for 1895 was 241,165, making an increase of 18,931 volumes.

The daily average issues by months were as follows:

January	902	May	713	September	716
February	1071	June	642	October	955
March	999	July	656	November	1122
April	962	August	639	December	993

The largest number of books issued for home use in any one day was 1868, on October 31; the smallest 362, on September 1st. The amount received for fines from deliquent book borrowers was $949.50.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in each of the ten departments of the Library named below:

History and Biography	9.13
Voyages and Travels	4.49
Poetry and Drama	1.99
Science and Arts	7.50
Language and Literature	2.88
Law and Medicine	.52
Religion	.83
Prose Fiction	42.82
Juvenile Literature	28.65
Miscellaneous	1.19
	100.00

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

There were issued for use in the Reference Room on week days 56,319 volumes; for use on Sundays 1724. The daily average of visitors to the Reference Room on Sundays was 24; Reading Room 70.

The number of serials kept on file in the Reading Room is 205; of these 188 are periodicals and 17 newspapers. Of the periodicals 62 are weeklies, 88 monthlies, 7 fortnightlies, 2 bi-monthlies, 26 quarterlies and 3 semi-weeklies. Of the newspapers 4 are dailies, 2 semi-weeklies and 11 weeklies.

BINDING.

There were sent to the binderies during the past year 2,629 books, of which 307 were periodicals and 2,322 miscellaneous volumes.

The attendants in the Library repaired 5,842 books. The number repaired at the binderies was 111.

The delivery room has been so crowded for the last few months by the children who come in such numbers at some hours of the day, as to obstruct the passage way to the Reference Room and other parts of the Library. Thanks are due to Mayor Doran for the relief afforded, by placing another room at the disposal of the Library, that may be used hereafter as a children's department.

The Library is also under obligation to the St. Paul Dispatch for carefully publishing many lists of new books added during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,, Librarian.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1896

	BOOKS.	PAMPH
Aguilar Free Library, New York City		1
American Humane Society, Providence, R. I.		1
Andrews, C. C.	1	
Apprentices Library Co., Philadelphia, Pa		1
Baker, I., London, England	1	
Balch, T. W., Philadelphia, Pa	1	
Baldwin, W. H., Boston Mass	1	
Batterson Public Library, London, England		1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass		2
Buffalo Common Council, Buffalo, N. Y	1	
Buffalo Library, Buffalo, N. Y		1
Cadbury, R., London, England	1	
Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago, Ill	1	
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill		1
Christian Science Sunday School	1	
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, O		2
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, O	1	
Clough, W. P.	2	
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass		1
Cooke, J. P., Boston, Mass		1
Courtright, G. A.		1
Crittenden, J. P., New York City	1	
Crocker, N. H., Boston, Mass	1	
Dayton Public Library, Dayton, O		1
Denver Public Library, Denver, Col		1
Eau Claire Public Library, Wis		1
Egleston, T., New York City	1	
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill		5
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass		1
Friends Free Library, Germantown, Pa		1
Gildehaus, C., St. Louis, Mo	1	
Gordon Technical College, Geelong, Australia		1
Green, S. S. Worcester, Mass	1	
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	4	
Helena Public Library, Helena, Mont		3
Hiersemann, K. W., Leipsic, Ger	1	
Honeywell, Ninetta H., Battle Creek, Mich	1	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, Mass	1	
Indian Rights Association, Phila, Pa		3
International News Co., New York City	1	
Knowles, J. P.	2	
Leach, J. G., Cambridge, Mass		1

Leffingwell, A., Cambridge, Mass		1
Leyton Public Library, Leyton, Eng		1
Longmans, Green & Co., New York City	1	
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass		1
Lytle, J. J., Philadelphia, Pa		1
McCardy, J. J	2	
McClurg, A. C., & Co., Chicago, Ill	1	
McCormick, C. H., New York City	1	
Macullar, Parker & Co., Boston, Mass	1	
Maharaja of Jeypore, The Jeypore, India	6	
Massachusetts Bureau of Labor, Boston, Mass	2	1
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis		1
Minneapolis City Officers, Minneapolis, Minn	1	
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn		4
Minnesota Historical Society		1
New Haven Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn		1
New York State Forest Commission	2	
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J		1
Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill		1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass		1
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill	1	
Oppenheim, Mrs. A	2	
Our Library, Portland, Or		1
Park Mrs. J. C	1	
Penniman, E. P	1	
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, Philladelphia, Pa		1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill		1
Polytechnic Society of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky		1
Prendergast, T. H	4	
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I		1
Randall, Miss J. E	1	
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y		1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo		1
St. Paul Chamber of Commerce	1	
St. Paul Engineer's Society	1	
St. Paul Workhouse		1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	2	1
San Francisco Free Public Library, San Francisco, Cal.	1	1
San Francisco Mercantile Library Association, San Francisco, Cal		1
Sauer, W. C	1	
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa		1
Seattle Library Commission, Seattle, Wash		1
Smithsonian Institution, Washington	7	
Springfield Library, Springfield, Mass		2

Steiner, C. Elmira, N. Y.		1
Syracuse Central Library, Syracuse, N. Y.		1
Tulane University of Louisiana, New Orleans, La.		1
United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C.	4	
United States Bureau of Labor, Washington, D. C.	1	
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.	2	69
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D. C.	13	35
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C.	10	
United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C.	3	
United States Department of Treasury, Washington, D. C.	1	
United States Department of War, Washington, D. C.	6	
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.	2	
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.	1	
University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.		1
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.		4
Unknown	5	
Upham, Mrs. F. W., New York City	3	
Watertown Public Library, Watertown, Mass.		1
Whitehouse & Swords, New York City	1	
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass.		1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass.		1
Total	119	177

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Gardening.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal Philology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Social Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine of Civics. (New York.)
American Naturalist.
Architectural Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Belgravia.
Blackwood.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Church at Home and Abroad.
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins' University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Hygiene.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
L. A. W. and Good Roads.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Lend a Hand.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
McClure's Magazine.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Music.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Observer.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Review.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Outing.
Outlook.
Overland Monthly.
Park and Cemetery. (Gift.)

Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Engineer.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Financial Record. (Gift.)
Fliegende Blatter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Government.
Good Words.
Graphic. (London.)
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazaar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Round Table.
Harper's Weekly.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Inland Architect.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion, (English.)
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Railway Age.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architect's and Builder's Edition.)
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Studio. The
Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen and Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminister Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Den Danske Amerikaner. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Jewish Messenger. (Gift.)
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator. (Gift.)
Superior Leader. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Vart Heim. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers.	Circulation.	For use in Rooms.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-3	*8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$ 377.85	$ 369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.84	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	3,303	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†	15,115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	29,410	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,210	142,048	36,037	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	47,360	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	55,674	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	54,829	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	58,043	4,307.65	692.64	7,021.26

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

†Ten months. Until 1888 the library year commenced March 1.

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OFFICERS.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, President.
MAURICE AUERBACH, Vice President.
WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY,	Term Expires	April 30,	1900
EDWARD FELDHAUSER	"	"	1900
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT,	"	"	1900
OTTO H. AROSIN,	"	"	1898
DELOS A. MONFORT,	"	"	1898
J. G. PYLE,	"	"	1898
MAURCIE AUERBACH,	"	"	1899
EMERSON W. PEET,	"	"	1899
DR. C. E. BEAN,	"	"	1899

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1895-6.

BUILDING—Auerbach, Peet and Arosin.
ADMINISTRATION—Wright, Peet and Feldhauser.
LIBRARY—Monfort, Pyle and Bean.
FINANCE—Bean, Arosin and Wright.
BY-LAWS—Pyle, Monfort and Feldhauser.

LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

ASSISTANTS.

CATALOGUE—Misses Jennie E. Randall and Maud Smith.
CIRCULATION—Miss Lizzie W. Clute and Mr. Chas. D. Metcalf.
CIRCULATION, JUVENILES—Miss Anne Hammond.
READING ROOM—Miss Mary Rahn.
REFERENCE ROOM—Misses J. S. Bronson and Julia Hess.
Four others for Sunday attendance.
Three others for evening service, and three occasional.
JANITOR—Miss Lucy Rahn.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this, their sixteenth annual report:

The amount credited to the library fund from the tax collections for the fiscal year ending December 31 has been $14,000. The amount received from fines, sale of finding lists, lost books, and other sources, has been deposited with the city treasurer, and credited to the fund, amounting to $1,130.04. These amounts added to the balance on hand January 1, 1897, $2,400.37, make the total of $17,530.41, from which warrants have been drawn for $14,700.11, which were for expenditures, as follows: For salaries, $7,363.53; books, $2,967.06; periodicals, $709.88; electric light, $632.95; binding, $1,919.63; insurance, $255; postage and expressage, $48.60; furniture, $219.18; repairs, $57.15; printing, $196.15; stationery, $118.66; miscellaneous, $212.32; making the total $14,700.11, and leaving a balance of $2,830.30, this amount being retained to meet the accruing bills of December and January.

Since the establishment of the library, in the year 1882, there has been purchased 41,849 volumes for the sum of $61,223.22, making the average cost one dollar and forty-six cents. In the same time 8,277 volumes have been worn out and removed from the shelves; all but 505 were fiction or juvenile. Four hundred and twelve were lost and paid for and 85 are missing.

The library was removed to the city hall in 1889. The report of that year gave the number of volumes 21,504, the circulation 77,421, the salaries for the year $4,017.28, binding $478.65. The number of volumes is now 44,853, and the circulation 208,640; the salaries $7,363.53, and binding $1,919.63. The number of cards entitled to draw books in 1889 was 6,198; at the close of 1897 it was 11,792.

About 10,500 of the volumes are bound periodicals and government documents, nearly 2,800 are reference books, leaving about 31,000 for circulation.

In 1894 the space devoted to the library in the city hall was increased about thirty per cent, a large reading room and another book room having been put at the disposal of the library board, and by alterations and rearrangements the space for books was increased and the whole library was made more convenient for its patrons, and early in the year 1897 another room was added for the juvenile department, which made the general circulation room more convenient for the older patrons. Also another room was opened in which were placed several art periodicals and the most costly of the art publications in the library.

Owing to the increased circulation and the additional rooms, it was necessary to employ more assistants, and the expenses of the administration have necessarily been largely increased, and as the city charter limits the amount of the appropriation to $15,000, of which sum the library has seldom received the full amount. On account of delinquent taxes, the amount that can be expended for books becomes less each year as the administration expenses increase; the amount available for buying books in 1897 was only $2,967.06, which is less than in any former year except the earliest three years of its existence.

The value of the library is appreciated by all who make use of it; the books have been well selected, although many more are needed in every department; the floor space being nearly all occupied, galleries can be erected for the accommodation of several thousand additional volumes.

Dr. Max Nordau has prophesied that America will lead the world in discoveries, inventions and progress of all kinds, and if the progress of the past fifty years is any indication, his prophecy may be fulfilled during the next fifty. The location of our city in a latitude that gives more days and nights suitable for study than can be found in the climate of any city south of it, warrants the belief that when our library has volumes enough it will draw scholars from other parts of the Union, and our citizens, at that time, will furnish discoverers and inventors as famous as the best of them.

St. Paul, February 2d, 1898. ALEX. RAMSEY, President.
WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1897.

RECEIPTS.

1897, January 1, balance		$2,400.37
February, credited to library fund	$5,000.00	
June, credited to library fund	7,000.00	
July, credited to library fund	1,440.00	
August, credited to library fund	256.00	
September, credited to library fund	160.00	
November, credited to library fund	144.00	
		14,000.00
Received from fines	$955.97	
Received from lost books, 1896	42.47	
Received from lost books, 1897	38.82	
Received from finding lists	55.20	
Received from lost cards	18.67	
Received from postal notices	18.91	
		1,130.04
		$17,530.41

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for salaries, librarian and eight assistants	$5,678.34	
Paid for salaries janitor	300.00	
Paid for salaries three evening assistants	540.00	
Paid for salaries four Sunday assistants	156.00	
Paid for salaries five occasional assistants	539.19	
Paid for salary secretary	150.00	
		7,363.53
Paid for books		2,967.06
Paid for periodicals		709.88
Paid for light		632.95
Paid for binding books	$1,585.68	
Paid for binding periodicals	333.95	
		1,919.63
Insurance		255.00
Postage and expressage		48.60
Paid for Furniture—		
Four cases and counter for children's room	$71.50	
Five cases and counter for children's room	69.05	
Corrugated rubber for floors	20.70	
Two dozen chairs	17.00	
Four tables	12.40	
Pictures and frames for children's room	16.35	
Eight chairs for children's room	3.38	
Picture moulding for children's room	3.00	
Smaller items	5.85	
		219.18
Paid for Repairs—		
Magazine binders	$20.85	
Altering and repairing light fixtures	14.65	
Tinting wall	3.95	
Repairing clocks	2.75	
Plumbing	2.40	
Repairing cloth on door	2.35	
Repairing water cooler	2.00	
Small items	8.20	
		57.15
Paid for Printing—		
6,000 postals, for various purposes	$71.50	
11,000 8th series cards	39.25	
250 annual reports	33.00	
5,000 7th series cards	14.50	
10,000 certificates	10.50	
10,000 index to guarantors	6.00	
5,000 labels	5.00	
5,000 reference slips	5.20	
1,500 note heads	4.25	
100 postal notices	2.25	
Smaller items	4.70	
		196.15
Paid for stationery, 10,000 pockets	$30.00	
Paid for mucilage	11.46	
Paid for 22,000 pocket cards	11.10	
Paid for pens	5.60	
Paid for pencils	5.40	
Paid for 5,000 ruled cards	5.25	
Paid for paper	4.95	
Paid for blotting paper	4.95	
Paid for ink	4.25	
Paid for blank books	4.15	
Paid for various smaller items	31.55	
		118.66

1897.	Miscellaneous, cleaning rooms	$180.00	
	Annual dues American Library Association	2.00	
	Washing towels	8.19	
	Soap	6.20	
	Towelling	2.10	
	Moving magazines	5.00	
	Smaller items	8.83	
			212.32
			$14,760.11
	December 31, balance		2,830.30
			$17,530.41

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

St. Paul, Jan. 4, 1898.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library,

Gentlemen:—I respectfully submit herewith the sixteenth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1897.

From the statistics of the Public Library, which follow, it will be seen that, except in the accession of books, the work of the past year has been fully equal to that of any previous year. The most noticeable change has been setting apart a room for the use of the children, by which they have been better accommodated and other parts of the library greatly relieved.

BOOKS.

The number of volumes in the Library has been increased from 43,100 reported last year to 44,853. There have been added during the year 3,102 volumes, of which 2,929 were bought and 173 donated. The number of volumes worn out and discarded was 1,281, of which 662 were juvenile books, 507 prose fiction, 48 history, 9 biography, 31 travels, 1 poetry and 23 in other classes. The number of volumes lost and paid for was 31. The annual inventory was taken during the month of May. The result shows 13 volumes unaccounted for.

In the following table is shown the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the net increase and extent of each class:

	Total Accessions of the year.	Net Accessions of the year.	Total Number of volumes in Library.
History	180	130	4,029
Biography	175	165	3,981
Travels	119	87	2,557
Poetry and Drama	55	54	2,138
Essays and Miscellanies	49	40	1,083
Collected Works	27	27	557
Language and Literature	94	94	1,185
Fine Arts	33	33	1,137
Mathematics	1	1	69
Practical Arts	88	88	1,773
Natural Science	172	102	1,796
Political and Social Science	64	61	1,701
Mental and Moral Science	39	39	652
Ancient Classics	5	5	248
Religion	83	83	1,609
Medicine	11	11	280
Law	7	7	112
Periodicals and Newspapers	426	418	6,490
Government Documents and State Papers	82	82	3,900
Bibliography	19	19	289
Statistics	11	11	146
Dictionaries and Encyclopædias	1	1	366
English Prose Fiction	687	168	5,683
Juvenile Literature	722	54	2,770
Books in Foreign Literature	12	10	339
Total	3,102	1,790	44,890
Less volumes lost and paid for in 1895 not before deducted from the total number			37
Whole number of volumes in Library			44,853

The daily average issues for home use by months were as follows:

January	849	July	531
February	957	August	532
March	908	September	538
April	716	October	670
May	586	November	763
June	530	December	660

The largest number of books issued on any one day was 2,037, on March 6; the smallest, 422, on June 16.

The amount received for fines from delinquent book-borrowers was $955.77.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation in the ten departments of the Library:

History and Biography	9.64
Voyages and Travels	3.66
Poetry and Drama	1.99
Science and Arts	7.71
Language and Literature	2.35
Law and Medicine	.51
Religion	.91
English Prose Fiction	44.79
Juvenile Literature	28.00
Miscellaneous	.44
Total	100.00

DONATIONS.

During the past year there were presented to the Library 173 volumes and 157 pamphlets. Rev. W. W. Everts gave 26 bound volumes. T. H. Lewis 8 volumes. From the various departments of the United States government at Washington were received 63 volumes and 54 pamphlets. A complete list of donors follows this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The entire number of persons to whom cards were issued during the year was 5,757, of which 2,788 were males and 2,969 females. The registration of the previous year was 6,012. At the close of the past year the number of two-year cards outstanding was 11,792.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 305 days during the year. The number of volumes taken out for home use was 208,640; for use in the rooms 54,618, making an aggregate circulation of 263,258 volumes. An increase of 3,162 during the past year.

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

There were issued for use in the Reference Room on week days 52,844 volumes; for use on Sundays, 1,774. The number of visitors to the Reference Room on Sundays 1,237. To the Reading Room 5,079.

The number of serials kept on file in the Reading Room is 193. Of these 176 are periodicals, 17 newspapers. Of the periodicals 61 are weekly, 91 monthly, 10 fortnightly, 2 bi-monthly, 29 quarterly.

Of the newspapers 4 are daily, 2 semi-weekly, 11 weekly.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the binderies was 2,670, of which 340 were periodicals, 2,330 miscellaneous volumes. The attendants at the Library repaired 5,966 books. The number repaierd at the binderies was 185.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. MCCAINE, Librarian.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1897.

	Books.	Pamph.
Aguilar Free Library, New York City		1
Aiton, G. B., Minneapolis, Minn	1	1
American Oriental Society, Boston, Mass	1	
Balch, T. W	1	
Beekman, Mrs. W. L	7	
Boston Book Co., Boston, Mass		1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass		4
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn		1
Brooklyn Library, Brooklyn, N. Y		2
Buffalo Library, Buffalo, N. Y		1
California State Mining Bureau, Sacramento, Cal	1	
Chamberlain, L. D	1	
Choate, Miss A	3	
Colville, D. F	14	
Community of Shakers, Albany, N. Y	1	
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass		1
Cudmore, P., Faribault, Minn		1
Denver Public Library, Denver, Col		8
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich		1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa		1
Eau Claire Public Library, Eau Claire, Wis		1
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md		1
Evanston Free Public Library, Evanston, Ill		1
Everts, Rev. W. W	26	
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill		5
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass		1
Franklyn, H	1	
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa		1
Grant, J	1	
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	2	
Howard, R., Jr	2	
Hubbell, M. S., Buffalo, N. Y	1	
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa		4
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J		7
Jewett Morris Public Library, Trenton, Mo		2
Kelley, W. H	2	
Knowles, J. P	2	
Leland Stanford Junior University, Palo Alto, Cal	1	
Lewis, T. H	8	
Liggett, W. M	2	
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal		1
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass		1
Lytle, J. J., Philadelphia, Pa		1
McCaine, Mrs. H. J	1	
McCardy, J. J	2	
McCormick, C. W., Chicago, Ill	1	

Maine Geological Society, Portland, Me		1
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	4
Minnesota Training School, Red Wing, Minn		1
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass		1
New Haven Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn		2
New York Farmers' Association, New York City	1	
New York Public Library, New York City		10
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J		2
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass		1
Nussbaumer, F	1	
Omaha Public Library, Omaha, Neb		1
Parsons, J. R	1	
Peabody Education Fund, Washington, D. C		1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill		1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa		1
Poughkeepsie City Library, Poughkeepsie, N. Y		1
Powers, L. G	1	
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I		1
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y		1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo		1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo		1
St. Paul Workhouse		1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	2	2
San Francisco Free Public Library, San Francisco, Cal		6
Scientific American, New York City	1	
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa		1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash		1
Sedalia Public Library, Sedalia, Mo		1
Smith, A. E	1	
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	10	
Springfield Library, Springfield, Mass		2
Stokes, A. P	1	
Syracuse Central Library, Syracuse, N. Y		1
Thurston, L. A		1
Tulane University of Louisiana, New Orleans, La		1
United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C	2	
United States Bureau of Labor, Washington, D. C	3	
United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C	1	
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C	5	41
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D. C	27	9
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C	11	2
United States Department of War, Washington, D. C	10	
United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C	4	
University of California, Berkley, Cal		1
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa	1	
Unknown	3	

Venn, T. J., Chicago, Ill	1	
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill		1
Watertown Public Library, Watertown, Mass		1
Whymper, E., London, England	1	
Winchell, N. H	1	
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass		1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass		1
Wright, Rev. J	1	
Total	173	157

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Gardening.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Social Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Architectural Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy.
Art Amateur.
Art Francaise.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Belgravia.
Blackwood.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers' Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Church at Home and Abroad.
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Dial.
Eclectic.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Engineer.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Financial Record. (Gift.)
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Garden and Forest.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Government.
Good Words.
Graphic. (London).
Green Bag.

Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Round Table.
Harper's Weekly.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins' University Studies
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Hygiene.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
L. A. W. and Good Roads.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American).
Literary World. (English).
Literature.
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
McClure's Magazine.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Modern Art.
Munsey's Magazine.
Music.
Nation.
National Builder.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Review.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift).
Outing.
Outlook.
Overland Monthly.
Park and Cemetery.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Portfolio.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Opinion. (American).
Public Opinion. (English).
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Railway Age.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architect's and Builder's Edition).

Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Studio, The.
Temple Bar.
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen und Klasing's Neue Monatschefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Den Danske Amerikaner. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Jewish Messenger. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator. (Gift.)
Superior Leader. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Vart Heim. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers.	Circulation.	For Use in Rooms.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-3..	*8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	3,303	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†...	15,115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736 08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	29,410	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,210	142,048	36,037	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.. ..	35,758	9,077	160,977	47,360	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.....	38,389	10,279	188,495	55,674	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	54,829	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	58,043	4,307.65	692.64	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	54,618	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

† Ten months. Until 1888 the library year commenced March 1.

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OFFICERS.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY, President.
MAURICE AUERBACH, Vice President.
WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

ALEXANDER RAMSEY,	Term Expires	April 30,	1900
EDWARD FELDHAUSER,	"	"	1900
BENJAMIN F. WRIGHT,	"	"	1900
HARRIS RICHARDSON,	"	"	1901
DELOS A. MONFORT,	"	"	1901
BURNSIDE FOSTER,	"	"	1901
MAURICE AUERBACH,	"	"	1899
EMERSON W. PEET,	"	"	1899
DR. C. E. BEAN,	"	"	1899

Special Building Committee—AUERBACH, FOSTER, RICHARDSON and FELDHAUSER.

STANDING COMMITTEES. 1898-9.

BUILDING—Auerbach, Foster and Richardson.
ADMINISTRATION—Wright, Feldhauser and Richardson.
LIBRARY—Monfort, Peet and Bean.
FINANCE—Bean, Wright and Auerbach.
BY-LAWS—Feldhauser, Foster and Peet.

LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

ASSISTANTS.

CATALOGUE—Misses Jennie E. Randall and Maud Smith.
CIRCULATION—Miss Lizzie W. Clute and Mr. Chas. D. Metcalf.
CIRCULATION, JUVENILES—Miss Anne Hammond.
READING ROOM—Misses J. S. Bronson and Julia Hess.
Four others for Sunday attendance.
Three others for evening service, and three occasional.
JANITOR—Miss Lucy Rahn.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: The Board of Directors of the Public Library respectfully present this, their seventeenth annual report:

The amount credited to the library fund from the tax collections for the fiscal year ending December 31st has been $14,160. The amount received from fines, sale of finding lists, lost books, and other sources, has been deposited with the City Treasurer and credited to the library fund, amounting to $944.56. These amounts added to the balance on hand January 1, 1898, $2,830.30, make the total of $17,934.86, upon which warrants have been drawn for $14,253.51, which were for expenditures as follows: For salaries, $7,343.36; books, $3,434.72; periodicals, $719.37; electric light, balance for 1897, $82.80; binding, $1,478.81; insurance, $255; postage and expressage, $50.66; furniture, $152.27; repairs, $73.94; printing, $216.40; stationery, $120.02; miscellaneous, $326.16; leaving a balance of $3,681.35.

The increased balance over the amount on hand at the beginning of the year was caused by the new law allowing taxes to be paid in two installments, which prevented any credit being made to the library fund, after the eighty per cent had been credited in June, until the month of December, when $2,160 was credited; $1,600 of the balance has been used for the December expenditures, and another thousand dollars will be required for the payments incurred in January; the remainder will be expended for books.

It has been the practice to reserve enough of the library fund to meet the payments for December and January, but as the city comptroller commences the sale of certificates of indebtedness in January, the library can have the benefit of the first sale, as well as other departments of the city government; and if this course is adopted, the appropriation for books this year can be increased about one thousand dollars.

The room used for the juvenile department having been wanted by the joint court house and city hall commission, and no room being left in the building that could be used in its place, the Commercial club kindly offered to provide accommodations for the juveniles; but his honor Mayor Kiefer, becoming interested, generously gave up his office room for the purpose, and the great inconvenience of going out of the building for one of the departments of the library has been avoided.

The report of the librarian gives a classification of the circulation, and the accessions to the library. A comparison of the accessions with the circulation of each of the ten classes of books shows the following result:

	Circulation.	Accessions.
History and Biography	8.97	10.61
Voyages and Travels	2.87	5.75
Poetry and Drama	2.06	1.74
Science and Arts	7.20	13.56
Language and Literature	2.81	2.86
Law and Medicine	.52	.50
Religion	.83	1.80
English Prose Fiction	46.32	29.09
Juvenile Literature	27.86	30.48
Miscellaneous	.56	3.61
	100.00	100.00

The largest percentage of accessions are books in science and arts; two others show a slight decrease: the rest are increase, excepting fiction, which falls behind.

An approximation to the number of readers of fiction, as compared with other readers, can be made by taking one day in each month on which the circulation was the greatest.

January—Largest, 1,563; fiction, 27.76.
February—Largest, 1,603; fiction, 28.63.
March—Largest, 1,624; fiction, 27.85.
April—Largest, 1,464; fiction, 34:28.
May—Largest, 1,188; fiction, 40.32.
June—Largest, 856; fiction, 40.42.
July—Largest, 793; fiction, 45.39.
August—Largest, 914; fiction, 43.33.
September—Largest, 889; fiction, 44.31.
October—Largest, 1,139; fiction, 36.52.
November—Largest, 1,285; fiction, 33.54.
December—Largest, 1,297; fiction, 29.20.

The smallest number of fiction readers was in June, 346, and the largest in April, 502, the difference being 156; and the apparent large per cent in July, 45.39, was caused by the falling off of readers in other literature, the largest number being in March, 1,171, and the smallest in June, 510, a difference of 661; the best months for solid reading being between October and April, inclusive; and during these months the average of fiction readers was about thirty-one per cent of the whole number of readers, and the library has furnished other literature for the remaining sixty-nine per cent.

We congratulate ourselves upon the successful labors of our fellow director Feldhauser, who seems to be very successful in rallying around him the true love for the library among our citizens, and encourages us to believe that with the disappearance of the financial cloud that has hung so long over us, the time is not far away when more ample accommodations can be provided for the library, although the inconvenience of our rooms does not seem to discourage our readers, as we now have 10,924, an increase of 4,726 over the number on record ten years ago, when the library was moved to its present quarters.

In the same period our books have increased from 21,593 to 47,151 volumes, principally in the English language. Translations from the languages of Europe abound, but their originals are scarce. The works of the ancient Greek and Roman authors cannot be found in our library in the languages in which they were written.

In conclusion, it is the opinion of the directors that the use of the market house according to the plan of Director Feldhauser is more feasible at the present time than an effort to obtain the means to erect a library building, and if your honorable body will adopt the plan some action will be necessary to obtain from the legislature the power to increase the annual appropriation for the support of the library.

St. Paul, January 20th, 1899. ALEX. RAMSEY, President.

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

1898, January 1, balance in city treasury		$2,830.30
February, credited to library fund		5,000.00
June, credited to library fund		7,000.00
December, credited to library fund		1,920.00
December, credited to library fund		240.00
Credited library fund on Warrant 4,005		2.30
Received from fines	$864.59	
Received from finding lists	22.25	
Received from lost cards	13.00	
Received from postals	15.93	
Received from revenue stamps	3.26	
Received from lost books	23.23	
		942.26
		$17,934.86

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for salaries, librarian and eight assistants	$5,715.00	
Paid for salaries three evening assistants	540.00	
Paid for salaries four Sunday assistants	156.00	
Paid for salaries five occasional assistants	482.36	
Paid for salary janitor	300.00	
Paid for salary secretary	150.00	
		7,343.36
Paid for books		3,434.72
Paid for periodicals		719.37
Paid for light, December, 1897		82.80
Paid for binding books	$973.57	
Paid for binding periodicals	505.24	
		1,478.81
Paid for insurance		255.00
Paid for postage and expressage		50.66
Paid for Furniture—		
Two bookcases	$41.40	
Twelve chairs	27.15	
Two tables	22.47	
Catalogue case	24.80	
Shelving	19.95	
Matting	10.50	
Wire rail	5.00	
Clock	1.00	
		152.27

Paid for Repairs—		
Magazine binders	$35.90	
Electric light fixtures	18.03	
Repairing and cleaning carpets	8.86	
Repairing chairs	4.50	
Sundry smaller items	6.65	
		73.94
Paid for Printing—		
4,600 postals, various purposes	$56.70	
800 annual reports	31.80	
10,000 eighth series cards	31.50	
Two registers	24.00	
20,000 certificates	20.50	
10,000 reading slips	7.50	
3,000 book-marks	6.00	
10,000 index slips	6.00	
5,000 reference slips	5.00	
300 vouchers	4.50	
300 warrants	4.00	
1,500 note-heads	3.75	
Various smaller items	15.15	
		216.40
Paid for Stationery—		
30,000 buff cards	$43.20	
5,000 ruled cards	5.25	
1,000 white cards	4.75	
Order book	4.50	
10,000 pocket cards	5.00	
Mucilage	8.45	
Pencils	7.81	
Pens	5.65	
Paper	5.15	
Rubber stamps and ink	4.45	
Ink	4.18	
Pamphlet cases	2.00	
Mending paper	2.45	
Two scrap books	1.70	
Various smaller items	15.48	
		120.02
Miscellaneous—		
Cleaning rooms	$180.00	
Librarian's expenses to A. L. A. conference	74.59	
Annual fee A. L. A.	2.00	
1,000 league buttons	35.00	
Washing towels	9.10	
Revenue stamps	5.00	
Soap	4.61	
Pictures and frames	4.45	

Brushes and brooms	2.19	
Typewriter ribbon	1.50	
Crash for towels	1.35	
Cloth dusters	1.15	
Sundry smaller items	5.22	
		326.16
		$14,253.51
1898, December 31, balance		3,681.35
		$17,934.86

WM. H. KELLEY, Secretary.

To the Directors of the Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith respectfully submit the seventeenth annual report of the librarian for the year ending December 31, 1898.

From the statistics of the Public Library which follow, it will be seen that there has been considerable decrease in the past year, both in the circulation of books and in the number of book-borrowers. This may be due in part, to the industrial revival giving employment to a larger number of people, who have less time for reading than formerly, and to the war with Spain making a greater demand for newspapers than for books part of the past year. It became necessary to change the children's department from the rooms formerly occupied to others in another part of the building, thus necessitating the closing of this department of the library for some weeks.

The statistics are given below in the order of previous reports.

BOOKS.

The total number of volumes in the library has been increased from 44,853 at the close of the last annual report to 47,151.

The entire number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue during the year was 3,457, of which 3,187 were bought and 270 donated. The accession of pamphlets numbered 263.

There were deducted during the year from the total number of volumes in the library the following items: 1,137 volumes worn out and removed from the shelves; 22 books lost and paid for; 12 books unaccounted for in the annual inventory of 1897.

Of the 1,137 volumes worn out, 631 were juvenile books, 396 English prose fiction, 28 history, 5 biography, 39 travels, 4 poetry and drama and 34 in other classes.

In the following table is shown a classified analysis of the entire accessions of the year, and the extent and net increase of each class in the library:

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	188	160	4,189
Biography	129	124	4,105
Travels	172	133	2,690
Poetry and Drama	52	47	2,183
Essays and Miscellanies	32	11	1,094
Collected Works	11	11	568
Language and Literature	80	80	1,261
Fine Arts	94	94	1,231
Mathematics	4	4	73
Practical Arts	91	91	1,864
Natural Science	83	70	1,865
Political and Social Science	94	94	1,795
Mental and Moral Science	39	39	691
Ancient Classics	6	6	254
Religion	54	54	1,663
Medicine	12	12	292
Law	3	3	115
Periodicals and Newspapers	347	347	6,837
Government Documents and State Papers	124	124	4,024
Bibliography	25	25	314
Statistics	3	3	149
Dictionaries	1	1	367
English Prose Fiction	838	434	6,101
Juvenile Literature	910	266	3,022
Books in Foreign Literature	65	65	404
Total	3,457	2,298	47,151

DONATIONS.

The number of volumes and pamphlets donated to the library was 270 and 263, respectively. A complete list of the donors and their gifts follows this report.

BOOK-BORROWERS.

The number of persons holding library cards which entitle them to draw books for home use is 10,924. The total number of registrations of the year was 4,597, of which 2,139 were males and 2,458 females. The registrations of the previous year numbered 5,757.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The library was open for the delivery of books 304 days. The number of volumes taken out for home use was 172,959; for use in the rooms 56,-231; making an aggregate circulation of 229,090.

The daily average issues by months were as follows:

January	707	July	414
February	737	August	425
March	729	September	466
April	617	October	416
May	496	November	502
June	414	December	541

The largest number of books issued for home use in any one day was 1,624, on March 5th; the smallest number of books was issued on April 8th, when the library was closed part of the day and only 101 books were drawn.

The amount received for fines was $842.72.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the ten departments named below:

History and Biography	8.97
Voyages and Travels	2.87
Poetry and Drama	2.06
Sciences and Arts	7.20
Language and Literature	2.81
Law and Medicine	.52
Religion	.83
English Prose Fiction	46.32
Juvenile Literature	27.86
Miscellaneous	.56
Total	100.00

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

In the reference room 54,264 volumes were consulted by readers on week days; 1,967 were used on Sundays.

The daily average of visitors to the reference room on Sundays was 26; reading room, 87.

The number of serials kept on file in the reading room is 230, of which 212 are periodicals and 18 newspapers.

Of the periodicals 8 are no longer published and 19 new ones have been added. Of these 67 are weeklies, 99 monthlies, 10 fortnightlies, 3 bimonthlies, and 33 quarterlies. Of the newspapers 6 are dailies, 2 semi-weeklies and 10 weeklies.

BINDING.

There were sent to the binderies during the year 2,454 books, of which 368 were newly bound periodicals and 2,086 miscellaneous books newly bound or re-bound.

The attendants in the library repaired 5,138 books. The number repaired at the binderies was 153.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

St. Paul, Jan. 3, 1899.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1898.

	Books.	Pamph.
American Anti-Vivisection Society, Philadelphia, Pa		1
American-Irish Historical Society, Boston, Mass	1	
Andrews, C. C	1	
Balch, T., Philadelhpia, Pa	1	
Bangs, Mrs. E. N	1	
Berg, A	2	1
Blakeley, R	1	
Boston Book Co., Boston, Mass		1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	2	7
Brooklyn Library, Brooklyn, N. Y		1
Buffalo Library, Buffalo, N. Y		2
Butte Public Library, Butte, Mont	1	
Callaway, W. R., Minneapolis, Minn	4	
Chicago Board of Public Works, Chicago, Ill	1	
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill		1
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio		2
Cleveland Board of Education, Cleveland, Ohio		1
Concord Free Library, Concord, Mass		1
Concord Public Library, Concord, N. H	1	
Cotton, Miss H. G	1	
Coxe, V. R., New York City	1	
Davis, C. K	1	
Dayton Public Library, Dayton, Ohio		1
Denver Public Library, Denver, Col		1
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich		1
Dixon, W. H		1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	1	
Eau Claire Public Library, Eau Claire, Wis		1
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md		1
Evanston Free Public Library, Evanston, Ill		1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill		7
First Church of Christ	1	
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass		1
Girard College, Philadelphia, Pa	1	
Hamilton Public Library, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada		1
Hanna, H. H., Indianapolis, Ind	1	
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	1	
Hazzard, G. H	1	
Helena Public Library, Helena, Mont		2
Hoboken Free Public Library, Hoboken, N. J		1
Inter-State Commerce Commission	1	
International Society, New York City	1	
Iowa Historical Department		1
Jensen, M	1	
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J		9

	Books.	Pamph.
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md	1	
Kelley, W. H	2	
Konvalinska, J. G., Long Island City, N. Y		1
Lange, D.	1	
Langley, S. P., Washington, D. C	1	
Leipzieger, H. M., New York City		1
Lemcke, E., and Buechner, O., New York City	1	
Lewis, T. H	66	
Libbey Glass Co., Toledo, Ohio	1	
Library Bureau, Chicago, Ill	1	
Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles, Cal	1	
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal		1
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass		1
McCardy, J. J	1	
McCoy, H. L	1	
Marburg, T., Baltimore, Md	1	
Merchants' Exchange, St. Louis, Mo	1	
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis		1
Minneapolis High School Board, Minneapolis, Minn		1
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	3
Minnesota Historical Society	1	
Minnesota State Board of Corrections and Charities		1
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass		1
Muir, H. D., Chicago, Ill	1	
New Hampshire State Library, Concord, N. H		2
New York Farmers' Association, New York City	1	
New York Public Library, New York City		7
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J		1
Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill		2
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass		1
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill	1	
Nussbaumer, F.	1	
Olmstead, D. H., New York City	1	
Omaha Public Library, Omaha, Neb		2
Palmer, Mrs. C. F., New York City	1	
Parsons, J. R., Chicago, Ill	1	
Patterson Free Public Library, Patterson, N. J		3
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa		2
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill		1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	1	1
Polytechnic Society of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky		1
Pomroy, G. E., Toledo, Ohio		1
Potter, A. M., Boston, Mass	1	
Powell, D. F	2	
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I		1
Revell, F. H. & Co., New York City	1	

	Books.	Pamph.
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y.		1
Sadler, R., London, Eng.	2	
St. Giles Public Library, London, Eng.		1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo.		2
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo.		1
St. Paul Central High School, Class of '98	1	
St. Paul Chamber of Commerce		1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass.	2	1
San Francisco Free Public Library, San Francisco, Cal.		4
Schwab, J. C., New Haven, Conn.	1	
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa.		1
Shambaugh, B. F., Des Moines, Iowa		1
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn.		1
Simms, J., New York City	1	
Smith, J. P., Washington, D. C.	2	
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.	3	
Society of Colonial Wars, Washington, D. C.	1	
Sound Currency Committee of the Reform Club, New York City	2	
Southern Railway Co., Washington, D. C.	1	
Sprague, F.	1	
Springfield Library, Springfield, Mass.		1
Stone, G. F., Chicago, Ill.	1	
Sturtevant, B. F. Co., Boston, Mass.	1	
Syracuse Central Library, Syracuse, N. Y.		1
Talmadge, A. S.	1	
Toronto Legislative Assembly, Toronto, Canada		1
Towle Mnfg. Co., Newburyport, Mass.	1	
Tulane University of Louisiana, New Orleans, La.		2
United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.	1	
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.	2	134
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D. C.	90	16
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C.	5	
United States Department of War, Washington, D. C.	9	
United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C.	4	
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.	2	
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.	1	
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.	1	
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.		1
University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt.		1
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.	3	3
Unknown	7	
Walton, C., New York City	1	
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill.		3
Watertown Public Library, Watertown, Mass.		1
Wells College, Aurora, N. Y.		1
Winthrop, R. C., Jr., Boston, Mass.	1	
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass.		1
Total	271	263

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Gardening.
American German Review. (Gift.)
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Social Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Annals of the American Academy of Political Science.
Architectural Review.
Architecture and Building.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Belgravia.
Blackwood.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brochure Series of Architectural Illustration.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Churchman.
Coming Age.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Decorator and Furnisher.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Economic Studies.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Engineer.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Field and Stream.
Financial Record. (Gift.)
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Forester.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.

Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Graphic.
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazaar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Round Table.
Harper's Weekly.
House Beautiful.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated American.
Illustrated London News.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoöphily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kladderadatsch.
L. A. W. and Good Roads.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Land of Sunshine. (Gift.)
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Literature.
Littell's Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
McClure's Magazine.
Mechanics.
Medical Record.
Meehan's Monthly.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Music.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Portfolio.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.

Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Railway Age.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architects' and Builders' Edition.)
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Studio.
Temple Bar.
Tennessee University Magazine. (Gift.)
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Tilskueren.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen & Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Den Danske Amerikaner. (Gift.)
Denver Daily Evening Post. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Semi-Weekly Tribune.
New York Semi-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Saturday Spectator. (Gift.)
Superior Leader. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Vart Heim. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	For Use in Rooms.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882–3 ...	*8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.85	257.05	2,089 43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	3,303	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802 67
1887†	15.115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736.08	58 33	2,199.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	4-5.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539 12	5,232 24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	29,410	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,210	142,048	36,037	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	47,360	5,794.94	716 94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	55,674	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	54,829	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	58,043	4 307.65	692.64	7,021 26
1897	44,853	11,792	208,640	54,618	2,967.06	709.88	7,363 53
1898	47,151	10,924	173,959	56,231	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

† Ten months. Until 1888 the library year commenced March 1.

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ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Organized September 25th, 1882.

OFFICERS.

DR. C. E. BEAN, President.
MAURICE AUERBACH, Vice President.
B. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

George F. Dix,	Term Expires April 30,		1900
Edward Feldhauser,	"	"	1900
Benjamin F. Wright,	"	"	1900
Harris Richardson,	"	"	1901
Theodore L. Schurmeier,	"	"	1901
Burnside Foster,	"	"	1901
Maurice Auerbach,	"	"	1902
Marcus D. Munn,	"	"	1902
Dr. C. E. Bean,	"	"	1902

STANDING COMMITTEES. 1899-1900.

Building—Auerbach, Foster, Richardson and Feldhauser.
Administration—Wright, Dix and Richardson.
Library—Munn, Bean, Schurmeier and Foster.
Finance—Feldhauser, Auerbach and Munn.
By-Laws—Dix, Wright and Munn.

LIBRARIAN.

Mrs. Helen J. McCaine.

ASSISTANTS.

Catalogue—Misses Julia Hess and Maud Smith.
Circulation—Misses Lizzie W. Clute, Sarah C. Grant and Mary Rhodes.
Circulation, Juveniles—Misses Anne Hammond and Agnes Libby.
Reference Room—Miss J. S. Bronson and Mrs. K. M. Beals.
Reading Room—Lucy Rahn.
Four others for Sunday attendance.
Three others for evening service, and three occasional.
Janitor—Mrs. B. Zingerley.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul,

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the eighteenth annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending Dec 31, 1899.

Appended is the report of the librarian and the financial exhibit of the secretary and the librarian, to which your attention is directed for details in their several departments.

This has been the most important year in the history of the Public Library. In February, 1899, an ordinance was passed transferring to the board of directors, for the exclusive use of the Public Library, the market house building and property. Formal possession of the same was taken March 1, 1899. The lower floor of the building has been completely changed, and made into handsome stores, bringing into the library fund for the first year the gross income of $18,075. Upon the property has been paid out the sum of $21,021.01 received from subscriptions and rentals.

Work is now progressing upon the interior finish on the second floor, to be used for library purposes, extending from the tower to the St. Peter street end of the building, which when completed will furnish St. Paul with adequate, commodious and elegant library quarters. The cost of finishing the library proper will approximate the sum of $15,000. The library will be ready for occupancy on the 1st of May, 1900.

On May 1, 1899, the mayor appointed to fill vacancies on the board for the term of three years, Mr. M. D. Munn, Mr. M. Auerbach and Dr. C. E. Bean, the latter two succeeding themselves.

In June, 1899, the Hon. Alexander Ramsey, who had been connected with the board since its organization, and who was at that time its president, felt that increasing years and the demands of private business made it no longer possible for him to continue in active work on the board, and tendered his resignation, which was regretfully accepted. Mr. George F. Dix was appointed by the mayor to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

During the year the board lost by death Director D. A. Monfort, who had for many years been connected with the library board, doing faithful work, and whose loss has been severely felt. The mayor appointed Mr. T. L. Schurmeier to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. BEAN,
President.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

1899.	Jan. 1, balance in city treasury		$3,681.35
	Credited to library fund (tax levy certificates of indebtedness)		12,000.00
	Credited to library fund (tax receipts)		3,488.00
	Received from fines	$760.01	
	Received from finding lists	45.20	
	Received from lost cards	12.10	
	Received from postals	17.62	
	Received from badges	5.96	
	Received from lost books	38.35	
	Received from rent	83.33	
			962.57
			$20,131.92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for salaries, librarian and assistants	$7,341.36	
Paid for salaries, janitor	120.00	
Paid for salaries, engineer new building (2 months)	150.00	
Paid for salaries, secretary	150.00	
		$7,761.36
Paid for books		3,763.83
Paid for periodicals		753.54
Paid for binding books and periodicals		1,286.90
Paid for insurance		210.56
Paid for postage and express		21.45
Paid for Building Fund—		
Lights	$75.53	
Water	13.97	
Removing rubbish	17.60	
Nordholm salary	50.00	
Geo. J. Grant	511.02	
Insurance	781.24	
	$1,449.36	
Transferred by Comptroller to Building Fund—		
Geo. J. Grant	$511.02	
		938.34

FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

Shelves, 3 card cases	$3.73	
Repairs, children's room	5.69	
Repairing office chair	.75	
Twenty-seven binders	36.45	
Wire desk and small items	6.95	
		53.57

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

500 special cards	$4.00	
10,000 index	6.00	
10,000 ninth series cards	22.50	
300 vouchers and four order books	7.65	
500 book labels	1.00	
100 postals	2.00	
20,000 postals	22.00	
10,000 certificates	10.50	
Accession record	15.55	
10,000 rule slips	5.00	
600 annual reports	28.50	
1 book (memorandum)	4.10	
100 postals	2.00	
100 orders on treasurer	2.50	
1 delinquent record	4.50	
Note heads and envelopes	3.25	
10,000 finding lists	603.24	
5,000 postal cards	14.00	
10,000 postals	11.50	
Envelopes and cards	7.00	
10,000 certificates	10.75	
Various small items	3.45	
10,000 guarantor slips	6.00	
Legal cap paper and mounting board	1.55	
Other small items	6.58	
		805.12

MISCELLANEOUS.

Cleaning rooms	$60.00
Seal	2.00
Annual fee A. L. A.	2.00
Clock	1.00
Typewriter supplies	2.75
Washing towels	7.05
Soap	3.69
Crash cloth for towels	2.02
Keys for gate	1.25

Pens and pencils	14.08	
Ink and mucilage	10.58	
Cards and trays	23.40	
Photographs	25.00	
Casts for children's room	1.10	
Pictures for scrap books	1.25	
Electric bulbs	6.90	
Toweling	1.35	
Papering for covering books	3.28	
Rubber stamps	1.70	
One steel eraser	1.00	
Paid for cartage	4.55	
"Subs" for public library	2.05	
Mops, brushes and kerosene	4.95	
10,000 acme pockets	30.00	
5,000 eighth series cards	14.00	
10,000 printed cards	13.50	
Various small items	35.09	
		275.54
Total disbursements		$15,870.21
Balance Dec. 31, 1899		$4,261.71
		$20,131.92

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING FUND.

Receipts from all sources	$21,022.01
Disbursements as per detailed statement of city comptroller	21,021.81
Balance Dec. 31, 1899	$0.20
	$21,022.01

B. F. WRIGHT,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 2, 1900.

To the Directors of the Public Library,

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit herewith the eighteenth annual report of the librarian for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899:

The work of the past year has presented no unusual features. In general character it has resembled the work of former years. The statistics of each department are given below in order of previous reports.

BOOKS.

The total number of volumes in the library on Dec. 31, 1899, was 49,222, showing a net increase of 2,075 volumes over the number reported at the close of last year. The entire number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue was 3,104, of which 1,908 were bought and 196 donated. The accession of pamphlets numbered 178.

There were deducted during the year from the whole number of volumes in the library the following items: 1,002 volumes worn out and removed from the shelves; 27 books lost and paid for; 4 books not recovered from delinquent book borrowers.

Of the 1,002 volumes worn out, 643 were juvenile books, 320 English prose fiction, 4 history, 3 biography, 5 travels, 7 poetry and drama and 20 in other classes.

In the following table is shown a classified analysis of the entire accessions of the year, and the net increase and extent of each class in the library:

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	269	263	4,452
Biography	233	229	4,334
Travels	138	131	2,821
Poetry and drama	50	42	2,225
Essays and miscellaneous	32	22	1,116
Collected works	20	20	588
Language and literature	73	70	1,331
Fine arts	75	70	1,301
Mathematics	.....	.....	73
Practical arts	87	87	1,951
Natural science	99	99	1,964
Political and social science	113	111	1,906
Mental and moral science	26	26	717
Ancient classics	7	7	261
Religion	73	72	1,735

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library
Medicine	6	4	296
Law	16	16	131
Periodicals and newspapers	316	316	7,153
Government documents and state papers	104	104	4,128
Bibliography	21	21	335
Statistics	17	17	166
Dictionaries	1	1	368
English prose fiction	620	288	6,389
Juvenile literature	651	1	3,021
Books in foreign literature	57	56	460
Total	11,104	2,071	49,222

At the beginning of the year there were 3,022 books in the class juvenile literature. Six hundred and fifty-two volumes have been removed from the shelves, while only 651 volumes have been added, making a deficiency of one book in that class.

DONATIONS.

The donations of books and pamphlets to the library during the past year numbered 196 books and 128 pamphlets. A complete list of the donors and their gifts follows this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total number of registrations during the year was 4,917, of which 2,384 were males and 2,533 females. The number of persons holding library cards which entitle them to draw books for home use is 10,228.

The registrations of the previous year numbered 4,597.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 304 days. The number of books drawn for home use was 163,397, for use in the rooms 53,683, making an aggregate circulation of 217,080 volumes. The daily average circulation for home use was 537 volumes.

The daily average issues by months was as follows:

January	859	July	533
February	921	August	515
March	910	September	606
April	784	October	640
May	646	November	791
June	583	December	766

Amount received for fines	$772.28
Amount received for finding lists	48.65
Amount received for lost cards	11.60
Amount received for postal cards	17.52
Amount received for league badges	5.96
Amount received for 27 lost books	33.85
Total	$889.86

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the departments named below:

History and biography	6.88
Voyages and travels	2.57
Poetry and drama	1.95
Science and arts	7.81
Language and literature	3.00
Law and medicine	.52
Religion	.82
English prose fiction	45.29
Juvenile literature	29.74
Miscellaneous	.42
Foreign languages	.94
Total	100.00

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

In the reference room 51,590 volumes were consulted by readers on week days, 2,093 were used on Sundays. The daily average of visitors to the reference room on Sundays was thirty, reading room eighty-four.

The number of serials kept on file in the reading room is 237, of which 214 are classed as periodicals and 23 newspapers.

Of the periodicals four are no longer published, and four new ones have been added. Of the newspapers six are subscribed for by the library and seventeen are given.

FINDING LIST AND CARD CATALOGUE.

A third supplement to the finding list has been issued during the year. The second supplement being nearly out of print, it was consolidated with the titles of books added up to July, 1899, making a list of 132 pages and covering all additions since 1895.

The work of the card catalogue has been kept up to date, and continues to be of great assistance to readers who desire more information about the resources of the library than the finding lists will give. For

explanations in regard to other catalogue helps, or for assistance in relation to any book or subject, readers are cordially helped by the attendants at the desk in the reference room. Their time is expressly placed at the disposal of the public for this purpose.

Miss Jennie Randall, who for the past thirteen years has done intelligent and faithful work in the catalogue department, severed her connection with the library in November in order to be married, and will hereafter make Spokane her home.

ANNUAL INVENTORY.

The annual inventory of the library was taken in the usual manner during the months of September, October and November. At the present time twenty books are still unaccounted for. These volumes have not been deducted from the whole number in the library, as it is probable that during the coming year many of them will be found.

BINDING.

There were sent to the binderies 2,309 books, of which 312 were periodicals and 1,997 miscellaneous books, newly bound or rebound. The attendants in the library repaired 5,510 books. The number repaired at the binderies was 41.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1899.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Aguilar Free Library, New York City	...	1
American Anti-Vivisection Society, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
American Board Foreign Missions	1	...
American Book Co., New York City	27	...
American National Red Cross Relief Committee, New York City	1	...
Andrews, C. C	1	...
Apprentices' Library Company, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Balch, T. W., Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Bennington Battle Monument Association, Bennington, Vt	1	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	2	7
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn	...	1
Brooklyn Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	2
Buffalo Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Burlington Free Library, Burlington, Iowa	...	1
Calderhead, J. H., Helena, Mont	1	...
California State Mining Bureau, San Francisco, Cal	2	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Carnegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	...	2
Castle, H. A	6	...
Chase, W. G., Boston, Mass	1	...
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Department of Public Works, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Concord Free Library, Concord, Mass	1	1
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y	1	...
Davis, C. K	7	...
Dayton Public Library, Dayton, Ohio	...	1
Denver City Library, Denver, Colo	...	1
Depew, C. M., New York City	...	1
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
Dexter, M., Cincinnati, Ohio	2	...
Eddy, S. J., Providence, R. I	6	...
Ely, J. F., & Co., Detroit, Mich	1	...
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Evanston Free Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	...	11
Forbes' Library, Northampton, Mass	...	1
Friends' Free Library Reading Room, Germantown, Pa	...	2
Hackett, O. C., Washington, D. C	1	...
Hamilton Public Library, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	...	1
Harney, L. D., Madison, Wis	...	2
Harrison, C. H., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Harrison, W. B., New York City	1	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	2	...
Harvey, L. D., Madison, Wis	2	...
Hearst, W. R., New York City	2	...
Helena Public Library, Helena, Mont	...	2
Hewett, Alfred, Toronto, Canada	1	...
Hills, W. S., Boston, Mass	...	1
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, Mass	1	...
Howe, S. P., New York City	1	...
Inter-State Commerce Commission	1	...
Iowa Masonic Library, Cedar Rapids, Iowa	...	11
Jensen, M	7	...
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	2
Jewett, Norris Free Public Library, Trenton, Mo	1	...
Jordan, W. B	1	...
Judd, Orange & Co., New York City	1	...
Kingston-Upon-Thames Free Public Library, Kingston, Eng	...	2
Larned, C. W., West Point, N. Y	1	...
Leclaire, A., Montreal, Canada	1	...
Lewis, T. H	2	...
Leyton Public Library, Leyton, Eng	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Liggett, W. M., Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	2
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	...	1
Lytle, J. J., Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
McCardy, J. J	1	...
MacMillan, C., Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	5
Minnesota Historical Society	1	2
Minnesota State Board of Corrections and Charities	...	3
Minnesota State High Schools	...	1
Nachtrieb, H. F., Minneapolis, Minn	2	...
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	...	2
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
New York Farmers' Association, New York City	1	...
New York Public Library, New York City	1	8
Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Noyes, Mrs. D. R	1	...
Patterson Free Public Library, Patterson, N. J	...	1
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia, Pa.	...	1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	2	...
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	2
Pope, W. C	1	...
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	...	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Louis Merchants' Exchange, St. Louis, Mo	1	...
St. Martin-in-the-Fields, report of commission for public libraries and museums for parishes of, London, Eng	...	1
St. Paul Common Council	1	...
St. Paul Park Commission	1	...
St. Paul Workhouse	...	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	2
Sanborn, A	1	...
San Francisco Free Public Library, San Francisco, Cal	...	5
Schirmer, G., New York City	1	...
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn	...	1
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	7	2
Society of Colonial Wars, Washington, D. C	2	...
Springfield Library, Springfield, Mass	...	3
Stewart, Charles	1	...
Stone, G. F., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Tacoma Public Library, Tacoma, Wash	1	...
Thwing, C. F., Cleveland, Ohio	1	...
Toronto Bureau of Mines, Toronto, Canada	1	...
Tulane University of Louisiana, New Orleans, La	1	...
Union Sailor and Soldier Record Commission, Baltimore, Md	4	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.	7	40
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D. C.	27	14
United States Department of Labor, Washington, D. C.	4	...
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C.	6	...
United States Department of Treasury, Washington, D. C.	4	1
United States Department of War, Washington, D. C.	9	...
United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C.	3	...
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.	2	...
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.	1	...
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.	...	2
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.	...	4
Unknown	2	...
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill.	...	3
Winchell, N. H., Minneapolis, Minn.	2	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass.	...	2
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass.	...	4
Young Men's Christian Union, Boston, Mass.	1	...
Total	196	178

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace. (Gift.)
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Chemical Journal.
American Gardening.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Social Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Annals of the American Academy of Political Science.
Architectural Review.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Morphology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kladderadatsch.
Ladies' Home Journal.
L'Art Francaise.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Literature.
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Masters in Art.
McClure's Magazine.

Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Belgravia.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brochure Series of Architectural Illustration.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers' Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Coming Age.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Economic Studies.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Elliott's Magazine.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering Mechanics.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Medical Record.
Meehan's Monthly.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Music.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Circular.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Railroad and Engineering Journal.
Railway Age.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.

Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blatter.
Forest and Stream.
Forester.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
House Beautiful.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated London News.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
Irrigation Age.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architects' and Builders' Edition.)
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Studio.
Temple Bar.
Tennessee University Magazine. (Gift.)
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Tilskueren.
Truth.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen & Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Denver Daily Evening Post. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Tri-Weekly Tribune.
New York Tri-Weekly World.
Northwestern Chronicle. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Superior Leader. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	For Use in Rooms.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-3...	*8,731	3,492	62,244	.....	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	.....	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	3,303	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	6,198	3,629.74	450.79	2,802,67
1887†....	15,115	4,683	49,806	6,274	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	10,508	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	16,487	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	29,643	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	29,410	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	36,037	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.....	35,758	9,077	160,977	47,360	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.....	38,389	10,279	188,495	55,674	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	54,829	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	58,043	4,307.65	692.64	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	54,618	2,967.06	709.88	7,363,53
1898.....	47,151	10,924	173,959	56,231	3,434,72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	58,683	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.36

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

† Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
B. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

FREDERICK A. FOGG,	Term Expires July 3, 1901
JULIA F. METCALF,	Term Expires July 3, 1901
JOHN RENTZ,	Term Expires July 3, 1901
VINCENT J. HAWKINS,	Term Expires July 3, 1902
MCNEIL V. SEYMOUR,	Term Expires July 3, 1902
ELBERT A. YOUNG,	Term Expires July 3, 1902
PIERCE BUTLER.	Term Expires July 3, 1903
WM. B. DEAN,	Term Expires July 3, 1903
GEO. B. YOUNG	Term Expires July 3, 1903

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1901-'02.

BUILDING—Dean, E. A. Young, Seymour.
ADMINISTRATION—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
LIBRARY—Geo. B. Young, Metcalf, Butler.
FINANCE—Butler, Fogg, and Geo. B. Young.
BY-LAWS—Seymour, Rentz, Hawkins.

LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.

J. S. BRONSON,

ASSISTANTS.

CATALOGUE—Misses Julia Hess and Maud Smith.
CIRCULATION—Misses Lizzie W. Clute, Sarah C. Grant and Mary Rhodes.
CIRCULATION (JUVENILES)—Misses Anne Hammond and Agnes Libby.
REFERENCE ROOM—Miss J. S. Bronson and Mrs. K. M. Beals.
READING ROOM—Belle Owens.
Four others for Sunday attendance.
Three others for evening service, and three occasional.
JANITOR—Mrs. B. Zingerley and Martin Miller.

REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul,

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body, the nineteenth annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1900.

The most noteworthy matter in connection with the library during the past year has been the transfer from the old, inconvenient quarters in the upper story of the city hall building, to the more commodious and comfortable rooms fitted up in the new Library Building. On July 23, 1900, the library was opened to the public in its new location, and inaugurated by a "book reception" under the auspices of the Commercial Club, which was largely attended and added many books to the library. While the new quarters do not by any means furnish ideal accommodations, the change has been of great advantage to the library and to the public. The number of readers and visitors has largely increased, and as the directors find themselves in possession of funds available for the purchase of books, will undoubtedly still more increase.

The board of directors during the past year have been hampered by the large debt, amounting to $61,346.89, growing out of the remodeling and fitting up of the old market house building. A large part of the amount necessary to pay these debts was put into the tax levy and they are in process of liquidation.

At the spring election, May 1, 1900, the new city charter was adopted, and under its provision the judges of the district court appointed the following members of the new library board:

To serve for three years—Pierce Butler, Wm. B. Dean, Geo. B. Young.

To serve for two years—Vincent J. Hawkins, McNeil V. Seymour, Elbert A. Young.

To serve for one year—Frederick A. Fogg, Julia French Metcalf, John Rentz.

Owing to the pressure of the large indebtedness, to the payment of which the board bent every effort, immediately upon its organization, all purchases of books were suspended until late in the year, which accounts for the small accession to the catalogue in comparison with former years as shown in the report of the librarian.

Many complaints have been made during the past year regarding the lack of ventilation in the new building. Measures have been taken to remedy this defect.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,
President.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

1900.	Jan. 1, balance in city treasury		$4,261.71
	Credited to library fund (tax levy certificates of indebtedness)		12,000.00
	Credited to library (tax receipts)		2,960.00
	Received from fines	$758.55	
	Received from finding lists	51.30	
	Received from lost cards	17.70	
	Received from postals	18.18	
	Received from badges	.18	
	Received from lost books	26.05	
	Received from sale of old cases	19.75	
			891.71
			$20,113.42

DISBURSEMENTS.

1900.	Paid for salaries, librarian and assistants	$7,306.39	
	Paid for salaries, janitors	291.12	
	Paid for salaries, engineers	1,097.11	
	Paid for salaries, secretary	210.00	
	Paid for salaries, elevator man	129.00	
			$9,033.62
	Paid for books		1,515.03
	Paid for periodicals		711.61
	Paid for binding books and periodicals		1,922.04
	Paid for light and fuel		699.99
	Paid for insurance		1,458.07
	Paid for postage and express		55.11

FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

Electric repairs, extending lamps	$5.85	
Two cabinets	4.00	
Water cooler	3.50	
Three hardwood card cases	10.55	
Twelve wire doors	24.00	
Step ladder	2.00	
Lettering doors	9.65	
		$59.55

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1,000 postal cards	$11.50	
Shelf numbers and letters	2.65	
500 note heads	1.50	
500 labels	1.00	
1,000 postals	11.50	
Circulation book	7.00	
1,000 envelopes	2.75	
10,000 slips	6.00	
500 reference slips	5.00	
1 dozen blotting sheets	.60	
5,000 manila pocket cards	2.50	
800 orders on treasurer	6.65	
500 postals	6.25	
800 vouchers	7.00	
500 shelf list sheets	3.75	
14 S. B. binders, lettered	18.25	
1,000 certificates	10.50	
1,000 double cards, ninth series	4.75	
2,500 cards, ninth series, white	7.50	
500 note heads	1.50	
1,000 postals	12.00	
1,000 note heads	2.80	
1,000 vouchers	10.00	
1,000 checks	8.50	
5,000 pocket cards	2.50	
250 book-room cards	1.50	
500 postals	3.00	
		$158.45
Expenses for moving library from city hall		612.00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Expenses of librarian to A. L. A.	$85.80
Repairing locks	11.00
Boxes for desk	4.80
Gum labels	3.50
Alcohol for labels	5.14
Pens and pencils	18.15
Thumb tacks	.95
Pins and paper	1.30
Ice	8.00
Electric light bulbs	3.00
Cleaning books	.90

MISCELLANEOUS—*Continued.*

Floor brushes	$4.25	
"Sub" for public library	3.45	
Ink and mucilage	18.88	
Soap	17.78	
Scrubbing floors, and mops	32.87	
Cheese cloth	8.29	
Washing towels	7.79	
Framing picture	3.25	
25 pounds creosote grease	3.00	
Brooms	15.05	
Various small items	79.99	
		$337.14
Total disbursements		16,562.61
Balance Dec. 31, 1900		3,550.81
		$20,113.42

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Dec. 31, 1899	$0.20
Receipts from all sources	19,213.15
	$19,213.35

DISBURSEMENTS.

Building and furniture repairs	$10,723.68	
Salaries	91.95	
Light and power	2,923.54	
Insurance	3,117.10	
Heat	889.83	
General expense	312.16	
		18,058.26
Balance Dec. 31, 1900		$1,155.09

B. F. WRIGHT,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Board of Directors of the Public Library of St. Paul:

I have the honor to submit herewith the nineteenth annual report of the librarian, covering the operations of the public library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1900.

The most important events in the history of the institution during the past year were the completion of the library building and the removal of the books from the city hall rooms to their new home.

On the 16th of June the moving was begun, and thirty-six days were devoted to removing the books, rearranging and adjusting them on the shelves, and other necessary preparations for the opening. The library, with all its departments in working order, was opened to the public on the 23d of July.

The statistics of the use of the library since the removal show an increase over former years.

The home circulation in the new building from July 23 to Jan. 1, 1901, has been about 10 per cent larger than during the corresponding months of last year in the old rooms.

Following the order of previous reports, the statistics of the different departments of the library are given below.

BOOKS.

The present number of volumes in the library is 51,280, showing a net increase of 2,056 volumes over the number reported last year.

There have been added during the year 2,745 volumes, of which 1,567 were bought and 1,178 donated. There were also added 247 pamphlets.

There were deducted during the year from the total number of volumes, the following items: Books worn out and removed from the shelves, 647; books lost and paid for, 20; books not accounted for in the last annual inventory, 20.

Of the 647 volumes worn out during the past year, 488 were juvenile books, 116 prose fiction, 14 travels, 1 biography, and 28 in other classes.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class.

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	109	108	4,560
Biography	66	64	4,398
Travels	22	5	2,826
Poetry and drama	20	7	2,242
Miscellaneous	442	442	1,556
Collected works	5	5	593
Language and literature	68	66	1,396
Fine arts	22	22	1,323
Mathematics	1	1	74
Practical arts	37	37	1,988
Natural science	43	38	2,002
Political and social science	73	69	1,975
Mental and moral science	17	17	733
Ancient classics	4	4	265
Religion	23	23	1,758
Medicine	41	40	336
Law	1	1	132
Periodicals and newspapers	375	375	7,528
Government documents and state papers	104	104	4,232
Bibliography	18	18	353
Statistics	6	6	172
Dictionaries	1	1	369
English prose fiction	411	272	6,661
Juvenile literature	820	332	3,347
Books in foreign literature	16	1	461
	2,745	2,058	51,280

DONATIONS.

The donations of books and pamphlets to the library number 1,178 and 247 respectively.

The St. Paul Teachers' Association presented their library of 430 volumes to the public library. These volumes stand on open shelves in the reference room where the teachers have free use of them at all times. At a book reception held at the Library Building on Saturday, June 16, seventy-nine books were given.

With money furnished by the president of the library board, Mr. E. A. Young, and other friends of the juvenile department, 418 volumes have been bought and placed on the shelves of that department, for the use of the children. More books have been ordered and will be supplied from the same source.

From Mr. C. Cristadoro, thirty-eight large photographs of paintings, framed and ready to hang on the walls, were received.

A copy of Guido Reni's Aurora was presented to the children's room by Mr. Paul Reichelt; also, a picture of the Acropolis from Messrs. Bowen and Muncy for the same department.

From Bullard Brothers a large cast of the Victory of Samothrace. From the various departments of the United States government at Washington, the library received 66 volumes and 168 pamphlets.

A complete list of the donors, with the number of their gifts, follows this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The whole number of persons to whom cards were issued during the year was 5,433, of which 2,553 were males and 2,880 females.

The registration of the previous year was 4,917.

The number of two-year cards, which entitle the holder to draw books for home use, is 10,995.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 275 days during the year. The number of volumes taken out for home use was 161,910.

The daily average issues by months was as follows:

January	842	July	585
February	934	August	531
March	894	September	608
April	638	October	665
May	593	November	712
June	640	December	651

The amount received for fines from delinquent book borrowers was $758.53

For finding lists	51.30
For cards lost	17.70
For postals	18.18
For badges	.18
For lost books	26.05
	$871.94

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the departments named below:

History and biography	6.93
Voyages and travels	2.30
Poetry and drama	2.06
Sciences and arts	7.95
Language and literature	3.33
Law and medicine	.59
Religion	.92
English prose fiction	48.54
Juvenile literature	26.19
Miscellaneous	.44
Foreign languages	.75
Total	100.00

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

The juvenile department continues to be a popular place for the children. With only 3,347 volumes on the shelves, 42,416 books have been circulated the past year.

The greatest need in this department of the library is more books.

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

In the reference room 1,390 volumes are now kept on open shelves where they can be freely consulted by the public. No record has been kept of the books so used.

In the reading room the periodicals ano newspapers have been placed in open cases where readers can have direct access to them. This room is generally crowded with readers to its full seating capacity.

The entire number of serials on file is 213, of which 196 are classed as periodicals and 17 newspapers. Of the newspapers, 6 are subscribed for and 11 are given; 11 periodicals are gifts to the library.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the binderies was 2,786, of which 424 were periodicals and 2,356 miscellaneous books, newly bound or rebound. The attendants at the library repaired 6,072 books. The number repaired at the binderies was 235.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 2, 1901.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1900.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Allerton, W. S., Chicago, Ill	1	...
American Jewish Historical Society, New York City	7	...
American Union League Society, New York City	1	...
Baker, Henry B., Lansing, Michigan	38	...
Battersea Public Libraries, Battersea, Eng	...	1
Book reception	79	...
Books given to Juvenile Department	418	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	1
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn	...	1
Brooklyn Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	2
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Carnegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	...	1
Castle, H. A	2	...
Chicago Board of Education, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	2	1
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, O	...	2
Cleveland Board of Education, Cleveland, O	1	...
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, O	...	1
Concord Free Library, Concord, Mass	...	2
Concord Public Library, Concord, N. H	...	2
Davis, C. K	3	...
Dayton Public Library and Museum, Dayton, O	...	2
Des Monti, C. B., Harrisburg, Pa	4	...
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
District of Columbia, Washington, D. C	...	1
Dougan, Mrs. C. E	15	...
Dryden, John E., Newark, N. J	1	...
Eau Claire Public Library, Eau Claire, Wis	...	1
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Evanston Free Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	2
Evarts, W. W	1	...
Farmer, J. E., New York City	1	...
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	...	5
First Church of Christ Scientist Sunday School	8	...
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass	...	1
Friends' Free Library Reading Room, Germantown, Pa.	...	1
Gilbert, Mrs. Cass	2	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	6	...
Harvard University Library, Cambridge, Mass	...	2
Harvey, L. D., Madison, Wis	...	2
Hauser, C. L., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Hauser, Mrs. C. L., Chicago, Ill	2	...
Hoboken Free Public Library, Hoboken, N. J	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Hodges, Faustina H., New York City	1	...
Irelan, Wm. Jr., San Francisco, Cal	1	...
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	4
Koch, T. F	2	...
Lewis, T. H	5	...
Leyton Public Library, Leyton, Eng	...	1
Library Bureau, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	...	1
McCardy, J. J	1	...
MacMillan, C., Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Merchants' Exchange, St. Louis, Mo	1	...
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	...
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	...	1
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	2	2
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	2	...
Montoe, W. B., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Mutual Life Insurance Co., New York City	1	...
New York Farmers' Association, New York City	1	...
New York Public Library, New York City	1	...
New York State College of Forestry, Ithaca, N. Y	...	1
Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill	...	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill	2	...
Nussbaumer, F	1	...
Oakland Free Library, Oakland, Cal	...	1
Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, O	...	1
Orange Judd Co., New York City	1	...
Parker, H. C	1	...
Paterson Free Public Library, Paterson, N. J	...	1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	...	1
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	1	1
Putnam, I	1	...
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	1	...
Robinson, Mrs. Sara T. D., Lawrence, Kan	2	2
Ronbroke Press, Los Angeles, Cal	1	...
St. Giles Public Library, London, Eng	...	2
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Paul Teachers' Association	430	...
St. Paul Theosophical Society	13	...
St. Paul Workhouse	...	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
San Francisco Free Public Library, San Francisco, Cal	...	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash	...	4
Sheldon, H. I., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Simpson, Minnie H	1	...
Skiff, F. J. V., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	7	...
Solberg, Thorvald, Washington, D. C	1	...
Sunset Club, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Swift, M. L., Los Angeles, Cal	1	...
Syracuse Central Library, Syracuse, N. Y	...	1
Toronto Bureau of Mines, Toronto, Can	4	...
Towle Manufacturing Co., Newburyport, Mass	1	...
United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C	2	...
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C	6	119
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D.C	17	47
United States Department of Labor, Washington, D. C.	3	1
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C.	19	...
United States Department of Treasury, Washington, D. C.	5	...
United States Department of War, Washington, D. C.	10	1
United States Navy Department, Washington, D. C	1	...
United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C	3	...
University of California, Berkeley, Cal	1	...
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill	2	...
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn	4	...
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
University of Vermont, Burlington, Vt	2	...
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis	...	2
Unknown	4	...
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill	...	2
Watertown Free Public Library, Watertown, Mass.	...	1
Wells, B. W., Boston, Mass	1	...
White, J. T., New York City	1	...
Winchell, N. H., Minneapolis, Minn	2	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	2
Wood, Henry, Boston, Mass	2	...
Woodbury, F. D	3	...
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	...	2
Total	1,178	247

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Chemical Journal.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Engineer.
American Gardening.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Social Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Annals of the American Academy of Political Science.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Atnenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brochure Series of Architectural Illustration.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Economic Studies.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering Mechanics.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Forester.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Green Bag.
Gregg Writer. (Gift.)
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
House Beautiful.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)

Illustrated London News.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Morthology.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kladderadatsch.
Ladies' Home Journal.
L'Art Francaise.
Library Journal.
Life.
L' Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Masters in Art.
McClure's Magazine.
Medical Record.
Meehan's Monthly.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Music.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review. (Gift.)
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New World.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science.
Popular Science Monthly.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Circular.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Review.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Railway Age.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scientific American. (Architects' and Builders' Edition.)
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Spectator.
Stevens Institute Indicator.
Studio.
Temple Bar.
Tennessee University Magazine. (Gift.)
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Tilskueren.
Truth.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal.
Velhagen & Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Chicago Times-Herald.
Denver Daily Evening Post. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Tri-Weekly Tribune.
New York Tri-Weekly World.
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
Superior Leader. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)
Winnipeg Telegram.
Weekly People.

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83....	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305 85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†.....	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.....	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.64	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898.....	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.36
1900.....	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
† Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
B. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

VINCENT J. HAWKINS,	Term Expires July 3, 1902
MCNEIL V. SEYMOUR,	Term Expires July 3, 1902
ELBERT A. YOUNG,	Term Expires July 3, 1902
PIERCE BUTLER,	Term Expires July 3, 1903
WM. B. DEAN,	Term Expires July 3, 1903
C. W. AMES,	Term Expires July 3, 1903
FREDERICK A. FOGG,	Term Expires July 3, 1904
JULIA F. METCALF,	Term Expires July 3, 1904
JOHN RENTZ,	Term Expires July 3, 1904

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1901-'02.

BUILDING—Dean, Fogg, Seymour.
ADMINISTRATION—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
LIBRARY—Ames, Metcalf, Butler.
FINANCE—Butler, Ames, Metcalf.
BY-LAWS—Hawkins, Rentz, Seymour.

LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

ASSISTANTS.

CATALOGUE—Miss Julia Hess and Mrs. J. E. Fleming.
CIRCULATION—Misses Lizzie W. Clute, Belle M. Owens and Mary Rhodes.
CIRCULATION (JUVENILES)—Agnes Libby and Anna de B. Kops.
REFERENCE ROOM—Mrs. K. M. Beals and Wm. Gross.
READING ROOM—Mabel Shaw.
Four others for Sunday attendance.
Three others for evening service, and three occasional.
JANITOR—Mrs. G. M. Holmes and K. O'Brien.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twentieth annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending December 31st, 1901.

The report of the librarian and the financial statement of the secretary and the librarian are also presented for your consideration.

On July 3 the judges of the District Court appointed the following directors to serve for three years: Frederick A. Fogg; Julia French Metcalf and John Rentz, each succeeding himself.

Since the last report all obligations of the Public Library have been paid and we are now free from debt.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,
President.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

1901.	Jan. 1, balance in city treasury		$3,550.81
	Credited to library fund (tax levy certificates of indebtedness)		17,100.00
	Credited to library fund (tax receipts)		2,799.50
	Received from fines	$910.75	
	Received from finding lists	27.45	
	Received from lost cards	19.80	
	Received from postals	24.81	
	Received from lost books and miscellaneous	29.68	
			1,012.49
			$24,462.80

DISBURSEMENTS.

1901.	Paid for salaries, librarian and assistants	$8,528.46	
	Paid for salaries, janitors	840.00	
	Paid for salaries, engineers	530.00	
	Paid for salaries, secretary	240.00	
	Paid for salaries, elevator man	360.00	
			$10,498.46
	Paid for books		4,538.63
	Paid for periodicals		696.07
	Paid for binding books and periodicals		1,822.56
	Paid for light and fuel		1,745.85
	Paid for insurance		234.37

FURNITURE AND REPAIRS.

Grill work and copper brackets (antique)	$111.00	
Ring books	15.00	
Table	12.00	
Picture hanging	7.35	
1 doz. chairs	23.00	
Typewriter	65.00	
Registration desk	107.50	
1 doz. chairs	23.00	
Bulletin board	38.50	
Lockers	67.50	
12 tables	43.75	
Picture hanging	1.20	
Bronzing radiators	2.10	
Oak cabinet	36.00	
Fan motors	30.00	
Bookcase	40.00	
		$622.90

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

10,000 certificates	$10.50	
2½ M. 9th series cards	7.50	
3000 postal cards	36.50	
Shelf numbers and letters	4.70	
500 10th series cards	17.50	
2500 special cards	9.50	
1 book receipts	2.00	
5000 pocket cards	2.50	
300 postal cards	4.25	
100 postal cards	2.25	
5000 pocket cards	2.50	
1000 labels	1.00	
2 doz. blotters	1.00	
Finding lists	14.20	
1500 postal cards (book due)	18.00	
1500 postal cards (application for books)	18.00	
5000 9th series cards	15.00	
5000 pocket cards	2.50	
500 green pocket cards	.75	
1000 ruled note heads	2.75	
10,000 ledger cards	7.50	
Cards and signs	3.50	
15,000 ledger cards	18.00	
5000 pocket cards	2.50	
1000 slips card board	1.75	
10,000 10th series cards	24.50	
1000 envelopes	2.75	
10,000 certificates	10.50	
500 vouchers, building fund	7.50	
10,000 buff cards	14.40	
500 white cards	1.13	
10,000 acme cards	30.00	
5000 white cards	14.25	
500 white cards	2.50	
5000 ledger cards	5.25	
		$318.93

MISCELLANEOUS.

Expenses of Librarian to A. L. A.	$33.40
Bronze and brushes	1.13
Mucilage	18.10
Drayage	35.05
Scrubbing and brushes	37.03
Washing towels	6.70
Cloth	10.03

MISCELLANEOUS—Continued.

Pens and Pencils	18.58	
Ink	6.60	
Repairing typewriter	4.75	
Extra cleaning	13.90	
Bunting	4.16	
Ice	18.00	
Soap	17.65	
Paper	10.11	
Membership "A. L. A."	2.00	
Subscription "N. Y. Times"	1.00	
Sawdust	2.60	
Lettering signs	4.25	
Small repairs	7.10	
Kerosene oil	3.26	
Various small items	46.62	
		$302.02
Total disbursements		$20,779.79
Balance Dec. 31, 1901		3,683.01
		$24,462.80

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Dec. 31, 1900	$1,155.09	
Receipts from tax levy	61,335.54	
		$62,490.63

DISBURSEMENTS.

Building and furniture repairs	$287.12	
Insurance	1,648.33	
Salaries	530.00	
Light and power	6,184.46	
Heat	1,780.12	
Bills payable	5,550.00	
General expense	327.48	
Building	29,222.10	
Permanent fixtures	509.63	
Elevator	2,193.64	
Heating plant	3,077.69	
Lighting plant	3,825.61	
Furniture, etc	4,143.34	
		59,279.52
Balance Dec. 31, 1901		$3,211.11

B. F. WRIGHT, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith the twentieth annual report of the librarian, covering the operations of the Public Library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1901.

The statistics are given in the order of previous reports.

BOOKS.

The total number of volumes in the library has been increased from 51,280 at the close of the last annual report to 54,550. The entire number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue during the year was 4,251, of which 3,954 were bought and 297 donated. The accession of pamphlets numbered 117. There were deducted during the year from the total number of volumes the following:

Books worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 955; books lost and paid for, 17; books not recovered from delinquent book borrowers, 9. Of the books worn out and withdrawn from circulation 361 were English prose fiction, 535 juvenile books, and 59 in other classes.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	272	263	4,823
Biography	332	323	4,721
Travels	178	172	2,998
Poetry and Drama	124	120	2,362
Miscellaneous	47	39	1,595
Collected works	7	7	600
Language and literature	122	120	1,516
Fine arts	123	123	1,446
Mathematics	3	3	77
Practical arts	141	137	2,125
Natural science	163	159	2,161
Political and social science	234	232	2,207
Mental and moral science	74	74	807
Ancient classics	1	1	266
Religion	98	97	1,855
Medicine	15	14	350
Law	8	8	140

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
Periodicals and newspapers	428	414	7,942
Government documents and state papers	169	169	4,401
Bibliography	18	18	371
Statistics	19	19	191
Dictionaries	6	6	375
English prose fiction	652	280	6,941
Juvenile literature	749	205	3,552
Books in foreign literature	268	267	728
Total	4,251	3,270	54,550

DONATIONS.

The donations of books to the library during the past year numbered 297 volumes and 117 pamphlets. The various departments of the United States Government at Washington furnished 145 volumes and 69 pamphlets. Other principal donors were J. D. Estabrook, 15 volumes; T. N. Lewis, 15 volumes; Miss Emma Kelley, 14 volumes.

Thanks are due the St. Paul Daily Dispatch for frequent publication of book-lists throughout the year. A complete list of the donors is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total registration during the year was 5,096. There were canceled 4,880 cards, leaving the number of two-year cards which entitle the holder to draw books for home use 11,211.

Of the card holders 2,350 are males and 2,746 females; an increase of 216 over the number of last year. Special cards entitling the holder to four books at one time have been issued to the number of 123; and 32 cards admitting the holders to the shelves.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 302 days during the year. The number of volumes taken out for home use was 172,855.

The daily average issues by months was as follows:

January	649	July	473
February	773	August	468
March	734	September	403
April	611	October	527
May	510	November	627
June	483	December	500

The amount received for fines from delinquent borrowers was.....$910.75

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the departments named below:

History and biography	7.17
Voyages and travels	2.00
Poetry and drama	2.03
Sciences and arts	7.10
Language and literature	2.96
Law and medicine	.50
Religion	.82
English prose fiction	49.04
Juvenile literature	25.98
Miscellaneous	.50
Foreign languages	1.90
Total	100.00

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

That the privileges in this department are appreciated may be seen by a visit to the children's room on any afternoon, especially Saturday. The total issue of children's books was 44,909.

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

The use of books in the reference department has been as great as in former years and has seemed to increase. No account is kept of the use of the books since many of the shelves are now open to students.

In the reading room 255 serials are kept on file. Of these 230 are periodicals and 25 newspapers. Of the periodicals 174 are American, 41 British, 10 German, 4 French and 1 Scandinavian.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the binderies was 2,953, of which 2,572 were miscellaneous books and 381 were periodicals. The attendants at the library repaired 7,709. The number repaired at the binderies was 199.

CONCLUSION.

Having increased space and facilities, the work of the library during the past year has been more satisfactory than heretofore. The number of volumes taken out for home use was 172,855, a gain of 10,945 over the previous year, while the addition of books has been larger as compared with former years. The privilege of rummaging among the few hundred books placed upon shelves in the delivery room has been enjoyed very much by users of the library. Enlargement of this privilege would be a great advantage and would be appreciated by the patrons.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

St. Paul, January 2, 1902.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1901.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Andrews, C. C.	2	...
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Archer, Miss Ruby	1	...
Balch, T. W., Philadelphia, Pa	2	...
Barton, W. E.	...	1
Battersea Public Libraries, Battersea, Eng	...	1
Bergmerger, H.	1	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	1
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn	...	1
British Columbia Department of Mines, Victoria, B. C.	2	...
Brown, J., London, Eng	1	...
Brown, J. P., Cambridge, Mass	1	...
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Burlington Free Public Library, Burlington, Ia	...	1
Burnett, Joseph, Co., Boston, Mass	1	...
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Library Club, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	1	1
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, O	...	1
Clark, C. M., Publishing Co., Boston, Mass	1	...
Commonwealth Co., New York City	1	...
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	...	1
Concord Public Library, Concord, N. H	...	1
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y	...	1
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...
Davies, B.	1	...
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
East St. Louis Public Library, East St. Louis, Mo	...	1
Ehrmann, M., Cambridge, Mass	1	...
Erie Public Library, Erie, Pa	...	1
Estabrook, J. D.	15	...
Everts, W. W.	1	...
Field, M., Chicago, Ill	2	...
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	2	2
Ford, C., New York City	1	...
Friends' Free Library Reading Room, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Goodrich, Mrs. C. H.	1	...
Green, S. S., Worcester, Mass	1	...
Greene, L.	1	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Harvard University Library, Cambridge, Mass	...	1
Hewett, A., Toronto, Canada	2	...
Huffman & Hyer, Waterloo, Wis	1	...
Ingles, C. J.	1	...
Inter-State Commerce Commission	2	...
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	1
Kelley, Miss Emma	14	...
Kellogg, Miss Clara	1	...
Knickerbocker Press, New York City	1	...
Knopf, Dr. S. A., New York City	...	1
Lewis, O. C., Co., New York City	1	...
Lewis, T. H.	15	1
Leyton Urban District Council Public Libraries, Leyton. Eng.	...	1
Liggett, W. M., St. Anthony Park	1	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
McCardy, J. J	1	...
McFarland, H., Concord, N. H	1	...
Macqueen, J., London, Eng	6	...
Madigan, Miss	1	...
Massachusetts Society Sons of the American Revolution, Boston, Mass	1	...
Merchants' Exchange, St. Louis, Mo	1	...
Michigan State Board of Health	2	...
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	2	...
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	...	1
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	2	...
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	1
Minnesota Historical Society	11	...
Minnesota State Public Library Commission	...	1
Montana Bureau of Agriculture	1	...
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	...	1
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	...	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
New York Electric Fireproofing Co., New York City	1	...
New York Free Circulating Library, New York City	...	1
New York Journal of Commerce, New York City	2	...
New York Public Library, New York City	...	1
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Toronto, Canada	1	...
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Portland Library Association, Portland, Or	...	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	...	1
"Punch," London, Eng	1	...
Putnam's Sons, New York City	1	...
Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Mass	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Reeve, C. McC., Stillwater, Minn	1	...
Russell, R. H., New York City	1	...
St. Paul Park Commission	...	1
St. Paul Philatelic Society	1	...
St. Paul Workhouse	...	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1
Sanford, Mrs. E. R	12	...
Scranton Memorial Library, Madison, Conn	...	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Sedgwick, Miss Jane M	1	...
Shepard, Irwin, Winona, Minn	1	...
Shields, L. E	1	...
Silk Association of America, New York City	2	...
Smith, W. B., Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	11	...
Snead Iron Works	1	...
Springfield City Library Association, Springfield, Mass.	...	1
Stephenson, W. F. H., Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Steward, J. F., Chicago, Ill	1	...
United States Board on Geographic Names, Washington, D. C	1	...
United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C	1	...
United States Bureau of Foreign Commerce, Washington, D. C	1	...
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C	7	38
United States Department of Interior, Washington, D. C	88	31
United States Department of Labor, Washington, D. C	2	...
United States Department of State, Washington, D. C	9	...
United States Department of War, Washington, D. C	16	...
United States Navy Department, Washington, D. C	1	...
United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C	8	...
Université Royalé de Norvege, Christiania, Norway	1	...
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill	1	...
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn	1	1
Unknown	3	...
Warner, W. R. and Swasey, A., Cleveland, O	1	...
Washington State Labor Commission	1	...
Weber, J. F., Detroit, Mich	1	...
Willis, F. D	...	1
Winchell, N. H., Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	...	1
Young Men's Christian Association, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Total	297	11[illegible]

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Art Journal. (Gift.)
American Chemical Journal.
American Economic Association. Publications.
American Engineer.
American Gardening.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philately. (Gift.)
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Social Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Annals of the American Academy of Political Science.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Atnenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood.
Bookbuyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
British Monthly.
Brochure Series of Architectural Illustration.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Christian Science Sentinel. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Congressional Record. (Gift.)
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Criterion. (Gift.)
Critic.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Deutsche Hausschatz.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Eclectic Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Forester.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.

Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Words.
Green Bag.
Gregg Writer. (Gift.)
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
House Beautiful.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated London News.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Monthly.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kladderadatsch.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Lend a Hand Record. (Gift.)
Library Journal.
Life.
L' Illustration.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Centralblatt fur Deutschland.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
McClure's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Masters in Art.
Medical Record.
Meehan's Monthly.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Music.
Musical Leader. (Gift.)
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Century. (Gift.)
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Oil, Copper and Finance. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Photo-Miniature.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Progress.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Circular.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railway Age.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Engineer and Engineering Record.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.

Scientific American. (Architect's and Builder's Edition.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scottish Review.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Sound Currency. (Gift.)
Spectator.
Stevens Institute Indicator.
Strand.
Studio.
Success.
Sunset. (Gift.)
Temple Bar.
Tennessee University Magazine. (Gift.)
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Tilskueren.
Truth.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal. (Gift.)
Velhagen & Klassing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS.

Advance. (Gift.)
Altruist. (Gift.)
Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Chicago Record Herald. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Fairfax Standard. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Evening Post.
Ortonville Journal. (Gift.)
Representative. (Gift.)
Riverside. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review. (Gift.)
Shakopee Tribune. (Gift.)
Twin City Guardian. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Volkszeitung.
Weekly People. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)
White Bear Life. (Gift.)
Winnipeg Telegram. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83....	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305 85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†.....	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.....	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.64	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898.....	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.36
1900.....	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901.....	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
† Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul,

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-first annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

The report of the librarian and the financial statement of the secretary and the librarian are also presented for your consideration.

On July 3, 1902, the judges of the District Court appointed the following directors to serve for three years: Vincent J. Hawkins, McNeil V. Seymour and Elbert A. Young, each succeeding himself.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,

President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Organized September 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
B. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

PIERCE BUTLER	Term Expires July 3, 1903
WM. B. DEAN	Term Expires July 3, 1903
C. W. AMES	Term Expires July 3, 1903
FREDERICK A. FOGG	Term Expires July 3, 1904
JULIA F. METCALF	Term Expires July 3, 1904
JOHN RENTZ	Term Expires July 3, 1904
VINCENT J. HAWKINS	Term Expires July 3, 1905
MCNEIL V. SEYMOUR	Term Expires July 3, 1905
ELBERT A. YOUNG	Term Expires July 3, 1905

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1902-03.

BUILDING—Seymour, Fogg, Dean.
ADMINISTRATION—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
LIBRARY—Ames, Metcalf, Butler.
FINANCE—Butler, Ames, Metcalf.
BY-LAWS—Hawkins, Rentz, Seymour.

LIBRARIAN.

MRS. HELEN J. MCCAINE.

ASSISTANTS.

CHIEF CATALOGUER—Mrs. J. R. Fleming.
ASSISTANT CATALOGUERS—Miss Maud Smith and Miss Julia Hess.
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ASSISTANTS IN CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT—Miss Belle Owens and Miss Mary Rhodes.
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ASSISTANT IN REFERENCE ROOM—Mr. J. R. Martin.
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SUPERINTENDENT OF JUVENILE DEPARTMENT—Miss Agnes Libby.
REGISTRATION CLERK—Miss Isabelle Kay.
TYPEWRITER—Miss Lucy Rahn.
GENERAL ASSISTANTS—Miss Hildegarde Rentz and Miss Edna Brack.
SUBSTITUTES—Mr. Ralph Slye, Mr. Leo Winter, Mr. J. H. Lemon and Mr. M. N. Lando.
JANITORS—Mrs. B. Zingerle and Mr. K. O'Brien.
ENGINEERS—R. C. Lehman, Fred Koenke, Alois Schmidt.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1902		$6,962.96
Tax levy certificates of indebtedness		21,400.00
Rents		13,984.29
Sundry receipts		175.00
Received for fines	$976.78	
Received for finding lists	16.20	
Received for lost cards	22.50	
Received for postals	35.76	
Received for lost books	44.13	
		1,095.37
		$43,617.62

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for salaries	$12,076.72
Paid for insurance	1,954.27
Paid balance of old indebtedness	3,878.72
Paid for books	8,281.26
Paid for periodicals	692.32
Paid for light	2,713.23
Paid for fuel	1,749.41
Paid for binding	1,485.55
Paid for printing	309.90
Paid for postage and express	15.62
Paid for furniture	412.25
Paid for building repairs	397.14
Paid for new roof	2,885.00
Paid for general expense	262.15
Paid for miscellaneous	375.19
	$37,488.73
Balance Dec. 31, 1902	6,128.89
	$43,617.62

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-first annual report of the Librarian, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The statistics of the use of the library show a steady increase. A larger number of volumes has been entered in the accession catalogue than was added to the library during any previous year of its history.

The total number of volumes in the library has been increased from 54,550, at the close of the last annual report to 59,781. The entire number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue during the year was 6,671, of which 6,360 were purchased, 311 donated.

There were also added 235 pamphlets. There were deducted from the total number of volumes in the library 1,400 worn out and withdrawn from circulation; 37 lost and paid for, and 3 unable to collect. Of the books withdrawn from circulation 885 were English prose fiction, 434 juvenile books and 81 in other classes.

While many volumes have been purchased to meet the demand for popular books, and the wants of the juvenile readers, the interests of a more serious class of readers have not been overlooked. In this connection the following works deserve mention:

Alexander. Tuscan Songs illustrated.
Anglo-Saxon Review. 10 vols.
Armstrong. Sir Henry Raeburn.
Bartholomew. Atlas of Meteorology.
Brinkley. Japan. 8 vols.
Brockhaus. Konversations-Lexikon, 1901. 8 vols.
Butler. Treaty-making Power of the United States.
Clowes. The Royal Navy. 6 vols.
Davies. Frans Hals.
Eggleston. The American Immortals.
Foord. Decorative Flower Studies.
Garnett and others. Universal Anthology. 33 vols.
Gotch. Early Renaissance Architecture in England.

Gower. Tower of London. 2 vols.
Greast Masters in the Louvre Gallery. 2 vols.
Hartmann. Modern American Sculpture.
Hastings. Dictionary of the Bible. 4 vols.
Hill. Antonio Stradivari.
Hughes. Text-Book of Coal Mining.
Konody. Art of Walter Crane.
Kristellar. Andrea Mantegna.
Legg. English Coronation Records.
Lydekker. New Natural History. 6 vols.
Modern Eloquence. 10 vols.
Morse. Catalogue of Japanese Pottery.
Newman. Lives of the English Saints. 6 vols.
Nordenskiold. Cliff Dwellers of the Mesa Verde.
Pallisser. History of Lace.
Ricci. Pintoricchio.
Rooses. Dutch Painters. 6 vols.
Ross. Florentine Villas.
Sladen. In Sicily. 2 vols.
Smith. Venice of To-day.
Universal Classics' Library. 20 vols.
Villari. Giovanni Segantini.
Voltaire's Works. 42 vols.
Vuillier. History of Dancing.
Waldstein. Argive Heraeum. Vol. I.
Ward. Greek Coins.
Wedmore. Turner and Ruskin. 2 vols.
Wright. Asiatic Russia. 2 vols.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	435	406	5,229
Biography	278	272	4,993
Travels	257	254	3,252
Poetry and drama	127	124	2,486
Miscellaneous	64	59	1,654
Collected works	106	106	706
Language and literature	187	182	1,698
Fine arts	154	154	1,600
Mathematics	4	4	81
Practical arts	207	196	2,321
Natural science	149	147	2,308
Political and social science	243	240	2,447
Mental and moral science	49	45	852
Ancient classics	12	12	278
Religion	194	192	2,047
Medicine	30	30	380
Law	13	13	153
Periodicals and newspapers	467	458	8,400
Government documents and state papers	139	139	4,540
Bibliography	22	22	393
Statistics	21	21	212
Dictionaries	8	8	383
English prose fiction	1,902	1,002	7,943
Juvenile literature	1,294	848	4,400
Books in foreign literature	309	297	1,025
Total	6,671	5,231	59,781

DONATIONS.

During the past year there were donated 311 volumes and 235 pamphlets. The most noteworthy gift was 80 volumes from Mr. Robert Billings. Of these volumes 60 were classed as history and 20 miscellaneous books.

Mention should be made of the receipt of a copy of the Lawson History of the America's Cup. This book will interest all lovers of fine bookmaking as well as the yachtsman. Mr. Lawson's volume is published for private distribution only, the edition being limited to three thousand copies, of which the one received is number nine hundred and eight. The St. Paul Philatelic Society presented 3 volumes.

The various departments of the United States Government at Washington furnished 86 volumes and 156 pamphlets. A list of the individual donors is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total registration for the year was 5,518. During the year there were canceled 5,269 cards, leaving the number of two-year cards which entitle the holder to draw books for home use at 11,440.

The classification of the registration by sex shows that 2,519 were issued to males and 2,999 to females. Of the whole number of cards issued, 46 were to non-residents of the city; 251 special cards, entitling the holder to four books at one time and 19 shelf permit cards.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 304 days. The entire circulation for home use was 178,767 volumes, an increase of 5,902 over the previous year. The daily average circulation was 555. There was received for fines from delinquent book borrowers $976.78; for finding lists $16.20; lost books $44.13; lost cards $22.50; postals $35.76.

The largest issue in one day was 1,240, on September 15th; the smallest 231, on August 9th. The daily average issue by months was as follows:

January	622	July	494
February	720	August	515
March	713	September	525
April	613	October	578
May	534	November	653
June	490	December	619

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the departments named below:

History and biography	6.24
Voyages and travels	1.95
Poetry and drama	1.83
Arts and sciences	7.26
Language and literature	2.74
Religion	.82
Law and medicine	.43
Miscellaneous	.52
English prose fiction	48.75
Juvenile literature	26.04
Foreign languages	3.42
Total	100.00

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

The children continue to make appreciative use of the library. The number of volumes issued in this department was 46,546, an increase of 1,637 over last year. The juvenile issue includes books in all classes.

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

The reference room is still a popular and a much used part of the library. Many valuable books have been added to this department during the past year. The attendants are asked to look up almost every conceivable subject and answer questions of various kinds.

No record is kept of the use of periodicals in the reading room, as most of the serials are kept in open cases where readers have direct access to them. The number of serials on file was 264 and 21 newspapers. Of the serials 37 were by gift and the remainder by purchase; 15 newspapers were donated. The periodicals by classification were 205 American, 42 British, 4 French, 12 German and 1 Norwegian.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the bindery was 2,510, of which 2,000 were miscellaneous books and 510 periodicals and newspapers. The attendants at the library repaired 6,714 books; 549 were repaired at the bindery.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

St. Paul, Jan. 7, 1903.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1902.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Aguilar Free Library, New York City	...	3
Alabama Historical Society	2	...
American Anti-Vivisection Society, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
American Social Science Association, New York City	2	...
Balch, E. S., Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Barton, Rev. and Mrs. William E., Oak Park, Ill	...	1
Battersea Public Library, London, Eng	...	1
Billings, Richard	80	...
Bolton, Mrs. Sarah K., Boston, Mass	1	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	1
Breeze Publishing Co., South Harpswell, Me	1	...
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	4
Brown University, Providence, R. I	...	2
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Carnegie Free Library, Alleghany, Pa	...	1
Castle, H. A., Washington, D. C	2	...
Chalmers, John P	1	...
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Department of Public Works, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	...	1
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	...	1
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	...	1
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	...	1
Creelman, James	1	...
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
Eau Claire Free Public Library, Eau Claire, Wis	...	2
Eckler, Peter, New York City	1	...
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Estabrook, J. D	1	...
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	1
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Green, S. S., Worcester, Mass	...	1
Hale, Mrs. Henry	5	...
Harris, William H., Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	3	1
Harvey, L. D., Madison, Wis	1	...
Hazzard, George H	2	...
Heath, D. C. & Co., Boston, Mass	1	...
Ingles, C. J	7	...
Inter-State Commerce Commission	1	1
Iowa State Library, Des Moines, Iowa	...	1
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	1
Jones, Mrs. T. C	2	...
Johns Hopkins Press, Baltimore, Md	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Kansas Academy of Science	1	...
Kephart, Horace, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
Kniskern, W. B., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Knopf, Dr. S. A., New York City	...	1
Lauzon, E. A	1	...
Lawson, Thomas W., Boston, Mass	1	...
Leffingwell, Albert, Providence, R. I	1	...
Leighton, J. J	1	...
Lewis, T. H	10	...
Library Bureau, Chicago, Ill	2	...
Liggett, W. M	1	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
Loubat, Duc de, Paris, France	2	...
Lubin, David	1	...
Macalester College	2	...
McCardy, J. J	1	...
McClure, Phillips & Co., New York City	1	...
McNulty, Rev. A	2	...
Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor	2	...
Massachusetts State Board of Health	1	...
Merriam, Hon. W. R	10	...
Michigan State Board of Health	1	...
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis, Minn	8	...
Minneapolis City Officers, Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Minneapolis Park Commission, Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	2
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	1	...
Minnesota Sons of Veterans	...	1
Minnesota State High Schools	...	1
Mississippi Historical Society	1	...
Missouri Geological Survey	3	...
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	...	1
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	...	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
New York Farmers' Association, New York City	1	...
Oakland Free Library, Oakland, Cal	...	1
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Toronto, Canada	1	...
Owatonna Free Public Library, Owatonna, Minn	...	2
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	...	1
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Pioneer Press	1	...
Prendergast, W. W	1	...
Randolph, L. V. F., New York City	1	...
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	...	1
Richardson, Mrs. H	1	...
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo.	...	1
St. Paul City Officers	4	...
St. Paul Common Council	3	...
St. Paul Humane Society	...	1
St. Paul Park Commission	2	...
St. Paul Philatelic Society	3	...
St. Paul Water Commission	...	16
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Silk Association of America, New York City	1	...
Sinclair, Rev. John	1	...
Smith, Walter G	1	...
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	9	2
Smyth, G. H., New York City	1	...
Sothern, Henry, London, Eng	1	...
Stamm, Miss	1	...
Stone, G. F., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Swan, C. H., Jr., New York City	1	...
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	...	1
Thian, Raphael P	1	...
United States Bureau of Education	1	...
United States Civil Service Commission	3	...
United States Department of Agriculture	13	114
United States Department of Labor	3	6
United States Department of State	7	8
United States Interior Department	35	28
United States Library of Congress	5	...
United States Navy Department	1	...
United States Patent Office	3	...
United States Treasury Department	1	...
United States War Department	14	...
University of Chicago	1	...
University of Minnesota	1	...
University of Wisconsin	...	3
Unknown	4	...
Van Marken, J. C., Delft, Holland	1	...
Wallace, Rev. James	...	1
Walsh, A. R	1	...
Warren Co. Library, Monmouth, Ill	...	1
Watertown Free Public Library, Watertown, Mass	...	1
Willis, John W	1	...
Wisconsin State Superintendent of Schools	2	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	...	1
Total	311	235

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Art Journal. (Gift.)
American Chemical Journal.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Engineer.
American Gardening.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Journal of Archæology.
American Journal of Philately. (Gift.)
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Musician. (Gift.)
American Naturalist.
American Poultry Journal. (Gift.)
Annals of the American Academy of Political Science.
Annals of the Propagation of the Faith. (Gift.)
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenæum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Banker.
Baumeister, Der.
Beet Sugar Gazette. (Gift.)
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood.
Book Buyer.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brick.
Brick Builder.
British Monthly.
Brochure Series of Architectural Illustration.
Brown Alumni Monthly. (Gift.)
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Christian Science Sentinel. (Gift.)
Church Record. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Congressional Record. (Gift.)
Contemporary Review.
Cook's Excursionist. (Gift.)
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Criterion. (Gift.)
Critic.
Cumulative Index.
Current History.
Current Literature.
Deutsche Hausschatz.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Dog Fancier. (Gift.)
Drainage Journal. (Gift.)
Eclectic Magazine.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Farmer.
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Forestry and Irrigation.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Government.
Good Roads.
Good Words.
Green Bag.
Gregg Writer. (Gift.)
Handicraft.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Herald of the Golden Age. (Gift.)
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated London News.
Illustration, L'.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Quarterly.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoöphily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.

Kladderadatsch.
Kunst unserer Zeit, Die.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review. (Gift.)
Lend a Hand Record. (Gift.)
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Centralblatt für Deutschland.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
McClure's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Masters in Art.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Microscopical Journal.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Music.
Musical Leader. (Gift.)
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Century. (Gift.)
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwest Magazine.
Northwestern Clerk and Window Dresser. (Gift.)
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Oil Mining and Finance. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin Stenographer. (Gift.)
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics. (Gift.)
Popular Science Monthly.
Popular Science News.
Poultry Herald. (Gift.)
Poultry Monthly.
Presbyterian and Reformed Review.
Progress.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publisher's Circular.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railway Age.
Record of the Past. (Gift.)
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Salvation. (Gift.)
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American. (Architect's and Builder's Edition.)
Scientific American Supplement.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Sound Currency. (Gift.)
Spectator.
Steam Engineering.
Steam Railway Review.
Stevens Institute Indicator. (Gift.)
Strand.
Studio.
Success.
Sunset. (Gift.)
Temple Bar.
Tennessee University Magazine. (Gift.)
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Tilskueren.
Traveler.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen & Klassing's Neue Monatshefte.
Voice.
Westminster Review.
Werner's Magazine.
Woman's Journal.
World of To-Day.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.
Youth's Realm. (Gift.)
Union Signal. (Gift.)

NEWSPAPERS IN READING ROOM, 1902.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Broadaxe. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Chicago Record-Herald. (Gift.)
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Echo de l'Ouest (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Evening Post.
Ortonville Journal. (Gift.)
Riverside. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Daily Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review. (Gift.)
Shakopee Tribune. (Gift.)
Twin City Guardian. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Wanda Pioneer Press. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)
White Bear Life. (Gift.)
Winnipeg Telegram.

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83....	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$ 377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†.....	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.....	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.....	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.63	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	3,756.75	710.44	6,875.97
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.64	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898.....	77,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.36
1900.....	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901.....	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902.....	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
† Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1903.

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The Library.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

Gentlemen: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-second annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1903.

The report of the librarian and the financial statement of the secretary and the librarian are also presented for your consideration.

On July 3, 1903, the judges of the District Court appointed the following directors to serve for three years: Pierce Butler, Wm. B. Dean and C. W. Ames, each succeeding himself.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,

President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Organized September 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
B. F. WRIGHT, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Frederick A. Fogg	Term Expires July 3, 1904
Julia F. Metcalf	Term Expires July 3, 1904
John Rentz	Term Expires July 3, 1904
Vincent J. Hawkins	Term Expires July 3, 1905
McNeil V. Seymour	Term Expires July 3, 1905
Elbert A. Young	Term Expires July 3, 1905
Pierce Butler	Term Expires July 3, 1906
Wm. B. Dean	Term Expires July 3, 1906
C. W. Ames	Term Expires July 3, 1906

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1903-04.

Building—Seymour, Fogg, Dean.
Administration—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
Library—Ames, Metcalf, Butler.
Finance—Butler, Ames, Metcalf.
By-Laws—Hawkins, Rentz, Seymour.

LIBRARIAN.

HELEN J. McCAINE.

Jane R. Fleming, Chief Cataloguer.

Julia Hess, Maud Smith and Annie Wood, Assistant Cataloguers.

Catherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.

James R. Martin, Assistant in Reference Room.

Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.

Belle Owens, Mary Rhodes and Edna Brack, Assistants in Circulating Department.

Severinus J. Corrigan, Superintendent of Reading Room.

Isabelle Kay, Registration Clerk.

Lucy Rahn, Typewriter.

Elizabeth G. Dennis, Superintendent of Juvenile Department.

Anna de B. Kops, and Hildegarde Rentz, General Assistants.

Maximilian N. Lando, Leo Winter, John H. Lemon and Henry Meyerding, Substitutes.

Kennedy O'Brien, Tena Amenson and Tilda Norsted, Janitors.

Joseph O'Brien, Elevator Operator.

Richard C. Lehman, Fred Koenke and Frank C. Carr, Engineers.

Report of Secretary.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1903		$6,128.89
Tax levy certificates of indebtedness		30,200.00
Tax receipts		6,500.00
Rents		13,063.31
Sundry receipts		486.49
Received for fines	$1,092.96	
Received for finding lists	15.05	
Received for lost cards	22.50	
Received for postal cards	32.19	
Received for lost books	36.27	
		1,198.97
		$57,577.66

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for salaries	$13,914.84
Paid for books	11,292.50
Paid for periodicals	763.05
Paid for binding	2,315.33
Paid for furniture and fixtures	2,074.25
Paid for building repairs	4,229.00
Paid for heat	2,381.76
Paid for light and power	2,568.31
Paid for stationery and printing	437.28
Paid for postage and express	95.62
Paid for insurance	3,404.84
Paid for sundry	390.12
	$43,866.90
Balance Dec. 31, 1903	13,710.76
	$57,577.66

Report of Librarian.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-second annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1903.

The last year of the Library has been the most prosperous year in its history. Not only in a greater accession of books, but a larger increase in circulation. The number of volumes in the Library at the close of the last report, December 31, 1902, was 59,781. There have been added during the past year 6,682, making the total number of volumes now in the Library 66,463.

The entire number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue during the year was 8,095, of which 7,784 were purchased and 311 donated. There were also added 255 pamphlets. There were deducted from the total number of volumes in the Library 1,381 worn out and withdrawn from circulation; 32 lost and paid for. Of the books withdrawn from circulation 696 were English prose fiction, 587 juvenile books, 10 history, 16 poetry and 72 in other classes.

Among the most important additions to the reference department the following are worthy of mention:

Annual Register, 128 volumes; Belcher, Later Renaissance Architecture in England, 2 volumes; Berenson, Drawings of the Florentine Painters: Century Library of Music, 20 volumes; Champier, Exposition Universelle, 1900, Chefs d'Oeuvre, 10 volumes; Cicero's Works, 19 volumes; Crowe and Cavalcaselle, History of Painting in Italy, 6 volumes; Dampier, New Voyage Round the World, 4 volumes; Davies, Hans Holbein; Foster, Miniature Painters; Fragments d'Architecture du Moyen Age et Renaissance; Gautier's Works, 24 volumes; Gurlitt, Die Baukunst Frankreichs, 8 volumes; Hauck, Realencyklopudie fur Protestantisch Theologie und Kirche, 11 volumes; Holmes, Constable; Longfellow, Cyclopaedia of Architecture; Meynell, Works of John S. Sargent; Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge, 21 volumes; Stevenson's Collected Works, 26 volumes; Vancouver, Voyage of Discovery, 3 volumes; Ware, The Georgian Period of Architecture, 3 volumes; Wetzer and Welte's Kirchenlexikon.

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Collected works	122	122	828
Language and literature	216	211	1,909
Fine arts	259	256	1,856
Mathematics	19	19	100
Practical arts	321	310	2,631
Natural science	190	187	2,495
Political and social science	281	280	2,727
Mental and moral science	119	113	965
Ancient classics	118	116	394
Religion	277	276	2,323
Medicine	26	25	405
Law	4	4	157
Periodicals and newspapers	938	916	9,316
Government documents and state papers	246	246	4,786
Bibliography	34	34	427
Statistics	42	42	254
Dictionaries and encyclopaedias	88	88	471
English prose fiction	1,494	783	8,726
Juvenile literature	1,085	490	4,890
Books in foreign literature	898	889	1,914
Total	8,095	6,682	66,463

DONATIONS.

The donations of books to the Library during the past year numbered 311 volumes and 255 pamphlets. From the various departments of the United States Government at Washington were received 147 volumes and 182 pamphlets. A list of the individual donors is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total registration during the year was 5,869. The classification of the registration by sex shows that 3,222 cards were issued to males and 2,647 to females. During the year 5,096 cards were canceled, the two years for which they were issued having expired, leaving the number of card holders entitled to draw books for home use 12,213, an increase of 773 regisrations.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 303 days. The entire circulation for home use was 194,899 volumes, an increase of 16,132 over the previous year. There was received for fines from delinquent book-borrowers $1,092.96; for finding lists $15.05; lost books, $36.27; lost cards, $22.50; reserve postal cards, $32.19.

The largest issue in one day was 1,442 on February 21; the smallest 365 on July 2.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the classes named below:

History and biography	5.61
Voyages and travels	1.82
Poetry and drama	1.68
Arts and sciences	6.60
Language and literature	2.58
Religion	.90
Law and medicine	.30
Miscellaneous	.48
English prose fiction	50.87
Juvenile literature	24.76
Foreign languages	4.40
Total	100.00

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

In this department there are 4,890 books on open shelves from which the children make their own selections. The aggregate circulation has been 48,290 volumes, an increase of 1,744 over the previous year.

REFERENCE ROOM.

The reference room still continues to be one of the most important features of the Library. The recorded attendance of visitors was 20,701. The number of books used from the circulating department was 28,800. No account has been kept of the use of the books on open shelves.

READING ROOM.

An important change has been made during the year in the reading room, the amount of space being more than doubled. The old, unsightly furniture is being replaced by new and comfortable fittings. This improvement seems to have been well appreciated from the fact that the patronage has been very much increased since this alteration was made. No record has been kept of the use of the periodicals and newspapers, as nearly all the serials are kept in open racks and stands where readers have direct access to them.

The number of serials kept on file is 265, of these 246 are acquired by purchase and 19 by gift. Of the 20 newspapers 5 are subscribed for and 15 are given. The daily papers of leading cities will be placed on file in the reading room wihin a short time. The Sunday attendance for the past year has been 6,975.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the different binderies was 4,246, of which 3,473 were miscellaneous books, and 773 magazines. The attendants at the Library repaired 6,899 books; 228 were repaired at the binderies.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

Saint Paul, January 6, 1904.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1903.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Aguilar Free Library, New York City	..	1
American Congregational Association, Boston, Mass	..	1
American Museum of Natural History, New York City	..	1
Andrews, Gen. C. C	1	..
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	..	2
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R., Chicago, Ill	1	..
Battersea Public Libraries, Battersea, Eng	..	1
Beach, Charles F., Jr	..	1
Beals, Mrs. C. M	1	..
Benz, Miss L	1	..
Betz, L.	1	..
Bishop, Gen. J. W	1	1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	1	..
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn	..	1
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	..	1
Brower, J. V	1	..
Buffalo Forge Co., Buffalo, N. Y	1	..
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	..	1
Burlington Free Public Library, Burlington, Ia	..	1
Campbell, W. J., Philadelphia, Pa	1	..
Carnegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	..	1
Carnegie Free Library and Club House, Braddock, Pa	..	1
Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh, Pa	..	1
Cary, C. P., Madison, Wis	1	1
Castle, H. A., Washington, D. C	1	..
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	..
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	..	3
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	..	1
Clapp, Hon. Moses	19	..
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland Ohio	..	1
Cole, George Watson, New York City	..	1
Columbus Public Library, Columbus, Ohio	..	1
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	..	2
Connel, Duncan	..	1
Connelly, C. B., Allegheny, Pa	1	..
Cowen, B. F	1	..
Crane, R. T., Chicago, Ill	1	..
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	..
Dearth, E. H	1	..
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	..	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Dresser, Josiah M	..	1
Duluth Public Library, Duluth, Minn	..	1
Erie Public Library, Erie, Pa	..	1
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill	..	1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	3	..
Folwell, F. W., Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass	..	1
Foster, Dr. Burnside	..	1
Freri, Rev. J., Baltimore, Md.	..	1
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	..	1
Harper Brothers, New York City	1	..
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	2	1
Harvey, L. D., Madison, Wis	3	..
Hazzard, George H	1	..
Heath, D. C. & Co., Boston, Mass	1	..
Hermann, O., New York City	1	..
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, Mass	1	..
Illinois State Historical Library	1	..
Indianapolis Public Library, Indianapolis, Ind	..	1
Ingles, C. J	4	..
Interstate Commerce Commission	2	..
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	..	1
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	..	1
Langson, W. J., Milwaukee, Wis	1	..
Leighton, J. J	4	..
Leyton Urban District Council Pub. Libraries, Leyton, Eng.	..	1
Loubat, Duc de, Paris, France	1	..
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	..	1
Macalaster College	2	..
McGann, L. E., Chicago, Ill	1	..
Macqueen, J., London, Eng	7	..
Martin, G. W., Topeka, Kansas	1	..
MacMillan, C., Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Massachusetts Single Tax League, Boston, Mass	..	1
Metropolitan Park Commission, Boston, Mass	1	..
Michigan State Board of Health	1	..
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	..	1
Minneapolis Park Commission, Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	..	3
Minnesota Executive Department	12	..
Minnesota Historical Society	..	2

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Minnesota Legislative Department	16	..
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	1	1
Minnesota State Public Library Commission	..	1
Mitchell, E. C	1	..
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	..	2
National Sound Money League, New York City	2	..
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	..	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	..	1
New York Life Insurance Co., New York City	2	..
New York Public Library, New York City	1	..
Nonotuck Silk Co., Florence, Mass	1	..
Northwestern Lancet, Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Palmer, Rev. F. L., Stillwater, Minn	1	..
Palmer, Lucia A	1	..
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	..	2
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Pillsbury, Albert E	1	..
Portland Library Association, Portland, Or	..	1
Prior, E. G., Victoria, B. C	1	..
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	..	3
Robertson, W. F., Victoria, B. C	1	..
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	..	1
St. Paul Book and Stationery Co	2	..
St. Paul Chamber of Commerce	..	1
St. Paul Park Commission	1	..
St. Paul Workhouse	..	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	..	1
Sanborn, Gen. J. B	1	..
Scott, W. D., Ottawa, Can	1	..
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	..	1
Silk Association of America, New York City	1	1
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	10	..
Society of Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, New York City	2	..
Solberg, T., Washington, D. C	1	..
Spalding Athletic Library, New York City	..	1
Springfield City Library, Springfield, Mass	..	1
Sturtevant, B. F. Co., New York City	1	..
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	..	1
Turner, William	2	..
United States Civil Service Commission	2	1
United States Department of Agriculture	28	137

	Books.	Pamphlets.
United States Department of Labor	1	5
United States Department of State	38	13
United States Interior Department	51	19
United States Library of Congress	13	..
United States Navy Department	2	..
United States Patent Office	6	..
United States War Department	8	7
Universalist Publishing House, Boston, Mass	1	..
University of Wisconsin	2	..
Unknown	13	..
Walsh, A. R.	1	..
Warren Co. Library, Monmouth, Ill	..	1
Wenzell, H. B	1	..
Wilcox, W. R., New York City	1	..
Wisconsin Free Library Commission	..	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	..	1
	311	255

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Chemical Journal.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Electrician.
American Engineer.
American Gardening.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Inventor.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philately. (Gift.)
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Annals of American Academy of Political Science.
Annals of Propagation of the Faith. (Gift.)
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Bankers' Magazine.
Baumeister.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Book Keeper.
Book Lover.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brick.
Brickbuilder.
British Journal of Photography.
British Monthly.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chamber's Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Christian Science Sentinel (Gift.)
Church Record. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Collier's Weekly.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Congressional Record. (Gift.)
Contemporary Review.
Cooks' Excursionist.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Criterion. (Gift.)
Critic.
Cumulative Index.
Current Literature.
Deutsche Hausschatz.
Deutsche Monatschrift.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Dog Fancier. (Gift.)
Dublin Review.
Eclectic.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineer.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine
English Mechanic.
Every Other Sunday.
Farmer. (Orange Judd.)
Farmer. (St. Paul.) (Gift.)
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blatter.
Floral Life.
Forest and Stream.
Forestry and Irrigation.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux-Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Good Government.
Good Words.
Green Bag.
Handicraft.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Herald of the Golden Age. (Gift.)
Horseless Age.
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated London News.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Quarterly.

Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of the Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kladderadatsch.
Kunst, Die.
Kunst unserer Zeit.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review. (Gift.)
Lamp.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott.
Literarisches Centralblatt fur Deutschland.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
McClure's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Masters in Art.
Masters in Music.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Musical Leader. (Gift.)
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Voice.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin's Stenographer.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics. (Gift.)
Popular Science Monthly.
Poultry Herald. (Gift.)
Poultry Journal.
Princeton Theological Review.
Progress.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Circular.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Journal of Economics
Quarterly Review.
Railway Age.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Review of Catholic Pedagogy.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American. (Architect's and Builder's Edition.)
Scientific American Supplement.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Smalley's Magazine.
Sound Currency. (Gift.)
Spectator.
Street Railway Review.
Stevens' Institute Indicator. (Gift.)
Strand.
Studio.
Success.
Sunset. (Gift.)
Temple Bar.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Theosophical Review.
Tilskueren.
Topical Architecture.
Traveller.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen und Klassing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
World of Today.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.
Youth's Realm. (Gift.)

NEWS PAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Echo de l'Ouest. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Evening Post.
Ortonville Journal. (Gift.)
Riverside. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review. (Gift.)
St. Paul Tidende. (Gift.)
Shakopee Tribune. (Gift.)
Twin City Guardian. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Wanda Pioneer Press. (Gift.)
West St. Paul Times. (Gift.)
White Bear Life. (Gift.)
Winnipeg Telegram. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83....	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629,74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	3,756.75	710.45	6,875.97
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898.....	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900.....	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901.....	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902.....	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903.....	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84

* Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
† Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

Gentlemen: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-third annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904.

The report of the librarian and the financial statement of the secretary and the librarian are also presented for your consideration.

On July 3, 1904, the judges of the District Court appointed the following directors to serve for three years: Frederick A. Fogg and John Rentz, succeeding themselves, Jacob Dittenhofer succeeding Julia F. Metcalf.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,

President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Organized September 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
W. L. KELLY, JR., Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Vincent J. Hawkins.....Term Expires July 3, 1905
McNeil V. Seymour.....Term Expires July 3, 1905
Elbert A. Young.....Term Expires July 3, 1905
Pierce Butler.....Term Expires July 3, 1906
Wm. B. Dean.....Term Expires July 3, 1906
C. W. Ames.....Term Expires July 3, 1906
F. A. Fogg.....Term Expires July 3, 1907
John Rentz.....Term Expires July 3, 1907
Jacob Dittenhofer.....Term Expires July 3, 1907

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1903-04.

Building—Seymour, Fogg, Dittenhofer.
Administration—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
Library—Ames, Butler, Fogg.
Finance—Butler, Ames, Dean.
By-Laws—Hawkins, Rentz, Seymour.

LIBRARIAN.

HELEN J. McCAINE.

Jane R. Fleming, Chief Cataloguer.

Julia Hess, Maud Smith, Annie Wood, Kate Drew and Stella Corteau, Assistant Cataloguers.

Catherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.

William Gross, Assistant in Reference Room.

Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.

Belle Owens, Mary Rhodes and Edna Brack, Assistants in Circulating Department.

Severinus J. Corrigan, Superintendent of Reading Room.

Isabelle Kay, Registration Clerk.

Lucy Rahn, Typewriter.

Elizabeth G. Dennis, Superintendent of Juvenile Department.

Anna de B. Kopa, Hildegarde Rentz and Elmer Glaspie, General Assistants.

Maximilian N. Lando, Leo Winter, K. Nockie and Henry Meyerding, Substitutes.

Kennedy O'Brien, Tena Amenson and Tilda Norsted, Janitors.

Joseph O'Brien, Elevator Operator.

Richard C. Lehman, Fred Koenke and Frank C. Carr, Engineers.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1st, 1904		$13,710.76
Tax levy certificates of indebtedness		24,800.00
Tax receipts		1,410.58
Rents		20,532.16
Received for fines	$1,169.10	
Received for finding lists	14.00	
Received for lost cards	28.85	
Received for postal cards	32.87	
Received for lost books	48.05	
		$1,228.27
		$61,681.77

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for salaries	$15,745.99
Paid for books and periodicals	14,003.83
Paid for binding	2,540.30
Paid for furniture and fixtures	2,828.83
Paid for building repairs	4,718.21
Paid for boiler	1,770.00
Paid for heat	2,277.56
Paid for light and power	3,082.82
Paid for stationery and printing	783.54
Paid for postage and express	154.43
Paid for insurance	2,537.70
Paid for sundry	427.60
	$50,870.81
Balance Dec. 31st, 1904	10,810.96
	$61,681.77

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

To the Directors of the Saint Paul Public Library:
Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-third annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1904.

Following the order of previous reports the statistics of the different departments of the Library are given below:

GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The present number of volumes in the Library is 72,818, showing a net increase of 6,355 volumes over the number reported last year.

There have been entered in the accession catalogue during the year 8,360 volumes, of which 8,148 were bought and 212 donated.

There were deducted during the year from the total number of volumes in the Library the following items: Books worn out and taken from the shelves, 1,951; books lost and paid for 42; unable to collect 12. Of the 1,951 books worn out during the past year 986 were prose fiction, 826 juvenile books, history 15, biography 12, travels 13, German literature 11, and 88 in other classes.

Among the additions of the year made to the reference collection the following are of importance:

Anderson. Pictorial Arts of Japan; Bauer. Precious Stones; Budge. Gods of the Egyptians. 2 volumes; Colvin. Drawings from the Old Masters; Doughty. Siege of Quebec. 6 volumes; Emerson. Architecture and Furniture of the Spanish Colonies; Evans. American Bibliography. volume 1; Haacke and Ruhner. Das Thierleben der Erde. 3 volumes; Halverson. Norsk Forfatter Lexikon; Hamilton. Works. 12 volumes; Harper. Stage-Coach and Mail in Days of Yore; Hoffman. Neubauten der Stadt Berlin. 3 volumes; McCarthy. Irish Literature. 12 volumes; Malmstrom. Sveriges Politiska Historia; Meynell. Works of John Sargent; Palestine Exploration Fund. 32 volumes; Papers of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens. 6 volumes; Picard. Les Chemins de fer Francais. 6 volumes; Rooses. Rubens. 2 volumes; Smithsonian Contributions to Knowledge. 29 volumes; Thwaites. Jesuit Relations. 73 volumes; Thomas and others. Famous Composers and their Music. 16 volumes; Underwood. Cabinet of Views; Upham. Salem Witchcraft. 2 volumes; Warner. Illuminated Manuscripts in the British Museum. 3 volumes; Wheeler. History of the Delhi Coronation Durbar; Williamson. Portrait Miniatures.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total Accessions of the Year.	Net Accessions of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	272	257	5,948
Biography	337	323	5,653
Travels	356	343	3,882
Poetry and drama	182	180	2,815
Miscellaneous	124	124	1,818
Collected works	134	134	962
Language and literature	107	70	1,979
Fine arts	185	183	2.039
Mathematics	19	19	119
Practical arts	149	136	2,767
Natural science	180	174	2,669
Political and social science	253	248	2,975
Mental and moral science	75	66	1,031
Ancient classics	2	2	396
Religion	440	429	2,752
Medicine	32	32	437
Law	9	9	166
Periodicals and newspapers	1,080	1,070	10,386
Government documents and state papers	133	133	4,919
Bibliography	24	24	451
Statistics	30	30	284
Dictionaries and encyclopaedias	29	29	500
English prose and fiction	2,338	1,331	10.057
Juvenile literature	1,388	539	5,420
Books in foreign languages	482	470	2,384
Total	8,360	6.355	72,818

DONATIONS.

The donations of the year consist of 212 books and 184 pamphlets.

A list of the persons and institutions to which the Library has been indebted the past year is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The number of borrowers registered at the last report was 12,213. During the year 5.518 cards were canceled, the two years for which they were given having expired, and 6,580 new registrations were added, making the total number of cards now in force 13,275.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The circulating department was open for the delivery of books 302 days. The total circulation for home use was 217,428 volumes, a daily average of 719 volumes; an increase of 22,529 volumes over last year. The largest issue in one day was 1,721 on Feb. 13; the smallest 386 on August 30.

The receipts from fines paid by delinquent borrowers for overdue books amounted to $1,169.10; lost cards replaced $32.87; finding lists sold $45.88; reserved postals $32.87. Total $1,328.67.

The following table shows the percentage of circulation for home use in each of the classes named below:

History and Biography	5.04
Voyages and Travels	1.67
Language	.18
Literature	3.83
Arts and Sciences	7.25
Religion	.93
Miscellaneous	.38
Prose fiction	51.93
Juvenile literature	24.55
Foreign literature	4.24
Total	100.00

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

The same care has been exercised over the children's room as in former years. During the year there has been made a net addition of 539 volumes, making the whole number at the present time 5,429 volumes.

In selecting the books the aim has been, as in other departments of the Library, to buy, not everything published, but the best new books, duplicating generously the old ones that are known to be good.

The circulation has been 53,322 volumes, or, a circulation of each volume something over 9 times. Mr. William Gross gave his collection of geological specimens to the children's room. These specimens have been placed in suitable cases in one corner of the room and have been of much interest to the children.

REFERENCE AND READING ROOMS.

On open shelves in the reference room are 1,460 volumes which visitors are free to use. No record has been kept of the volumes so used. There were issued from the stacks in the circulating department for use in the reference room 23,195 books.

During the year the count of visitors for reference work has been 21,122. This count approximates the actual number using the Library in this way. It would be impossible to keep an entirely accurate record as in busy times not every person can be counted.

The value of the reference department has been largely increased the past year by sets of magazines indexed in Poole's Index. In this way 731 volumes have been added.

In the reading room 281 periodicals and 49 newspapers are kept on file. Of the newspapers 34 are dailies and 15 weeklies. No record is kept of the use of newspapers and periodicals as all the serials are directly accessible to readers.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the binderies was 4,531. Of these 3,802 were miscellaneous books and 729 periodicals. The attendants at the Library repaired 6,571 volumes; at the binderies 139 were repaired.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

St. Paul, January 4, 1905.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1904.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
American Academy of Political and Social Science	4	..
American Book Co., New York City	1	..
American Congregational Association, Boston, Mass	..	1
American Pneumatic Service Co., Boston, Mass	1	..
American Silk Association, New York City	..	1
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Balch, Edwin S., Philadelphia, Pa	1	..
Betz, L	1	..
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	..	1
British Columbia Minister of Mines, Victoria, Can	1	..
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	..	1
Calladay, W. R., Minneapolis, Minn	2	..
Carey, A. A., Portsmouth, N. H	1	..
Carenegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	..	1
Carnegie Free Library, Oklahoma City, Oka	..	1
Carnegie Free Library and Carnegie Club, Braddock, Pa.	..	1
Carnegie Institution, Washington, D. C	2	..
Cary, A. G., Grand Rapids, Mich	1	..
Cary, C. P., Madison, Wis	1	..
Cassell and Co., London, Eng	1	..
Chase, W. E., Madison, Wis	1	..
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	..
Chicago Department of Public Works, Chicago, Ill	1	..
Chickering & Son, Boston, Mass	1	..
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	..	1
Cleveland Free Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	..	1
Columbus Public School Library, Columbus, Ohio	..	1
Concord Public Library, Concord, Mass	..	1
Corrigan, S. J	1	..
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	..
Davis, H. R., Providence, R. I	1	..
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	..	1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Ellenson, C	2	..
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	..	1
Evanston Free Public Library, Evanston, Ill	..	1
Farnsworth Publishing Co., Cincinnati, Ohio	1	..
Farrow, E. S., New York City	3	..

Fox, W. F., New York City	1	..
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	..	1
Galesburg Public Library, Galesburg, Ill	..	1
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	1	1
Hollister, Mrs. L. M., Detroit, Mich	1	..
Illinois State Penitentiary	1	..
Interstate Commerce Commission	1	..
Japanese Commission, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo	1	..
Jewish Publication Society of America, Philadelphia, Pa.	1	..
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	..	1
Kingsbury, D. L	1	..
Lewis, T. H	1	..
Liggett, W. M	1	..
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	..	1
Loubat, Duc de, Paris, France	1	..
Lowell, J. P., Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	..	1
Macqueen, John, London, Eng	4	..
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	..
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwauke,, Wis	..	1
Minneapolis City Officers, Minneapolis, Minn	2	..
Minneapolis Press Club, Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	..	1
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	2	..
Minnesota Historical Society	11	..
Minnesota University Agricultural Experiment Station	1	..
Minnesota Supreme Court	1	..
Molee, Elias, Tacoma, Wash	1	..
National Art Library, London, Eng	1	..
National Educational Association, Boston, Mass	6	..
National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, New York City	1	..
New York Department of Finance	1	..
New York Fisheries, Game and Forest Commission	7	..
New York State Hospital, Tarrytown, N. Y	..	3
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	..	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	..	1
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Ontario, Can	1	..
Orange Judd Co., Springfield, Mass	1	..
Ottuma Public Library, Ottuma, Iowa	..	1

Owatonna Public Library, Owatonna, Minn	..	1
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md	1	..
Pennsylvania Prison Society, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	..	1
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	..	1
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	..	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	..	1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	..	1
St. Paul Humane Society	..	1
St. Paul Park Commission	1	..
St. Paul Workhouse	..	3
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	..	2
San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco, Cal	..	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	..	1
Smart, T. H., Minneapolis, Minn	2	..
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	8	..
Society of Colonial Wars, New York City	1	..
Society of Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, New York City	1	..
Soyez, Mme. C., Paris, France	1	..
Springfield City Library, Springfield, Mass	..	1
Swasey, C. A. G., New Bedford, Mass	1	..
Syracuse, Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	..	1
United States Department of Agriculture	5	95
United States Department of State	33	5
United States Interior Department	19	26
United States Library of Congress	19	..
United States Navy Department	9	..
United States Patent Office	7	..
United States Post Office Department	1	..
United States Treasury Department	2	..
United States War Department	4	6
Unknown	6	..
Watertown Public Library, Watertown, Mass	..	1
Weber, Carl	7	..
Woburn Free Public Library, Woburn, Mass	..	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	..	1
	212	184

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Chemical Journal.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Electrician.
American Engineer.
American Gardening.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Inventor.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philately. (Gift.)
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Machinist.
American Naturalist.
Annals of American Academy of Political Science.
Annals of Propagation of the Faith. (Gift.)
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Amateur.
Art Interchange.
Art Journal.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Bankers' Magazine.
Baumeister.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Book Keeper.
Book Lover.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brick.
Brickbuilder.
British Journal of Photography.
British Monthly.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chamber's Journal.
Charities Review.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Christian Science Sentinel. (Gift.)
Church Record. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Collier's Weekly.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Congressional Record. (Gift.)
Contemporary Review.
Cook's Excursionist.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Criterion. (Gift.)
Critic.
Cumulative Index.
Current Literature.
Deutsche Hausschatz.
Deutsche Monatschrift.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Dog Fancier. (Gift.)
Dublin Review.
Eclectic.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineer.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic.
Every Other Sunday.
Farmer. (Orange Judd.)
Farmer. (St. Paul.) (Gift.)
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blatter.
Floral Life.
Forest and Stream.
Forestry and Irrigation.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Frank Leslie's Monthly.
Frank Leslie's Weekly.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux-Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Good Government.
Good Words.
Green Bag.
Handicraft.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Herald of the Golden Age. (Gift.)
Horseless Age.
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)
Illustrated London News.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Quarterly.

Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of the Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift.)
Judge.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kladderadatsch.
Kunst, Die.
Kunst unserer Zeit.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review. (Gift.)
Lamp.
Library Journal.
Life.
L'Illustration.
Lippincott.
Literarisches Centralblatt fur Deutschland.
Literary Digest.
Literary News.
Literary World. (American.)
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.
McClure's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Masters in Art.
Masters in Music.
Medical Record.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Municipal Affairs.
Munsey's Magazine.
Musical Leader. (Gift.)
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Journal of Education.
New England Magazine.
New Voice.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin's Stenographer.
Poet-Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics. (Gift.)
Popular Science Monthly.
Poultry Herald. (Gift.)
Poultry Journal.
Princeton Theological Review.
Progress.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Circular.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railway Age.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Review of Catholic Pedagogy.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American (Architect's and Builder's Edition.)
Scientific American Supplement.
Scribner's Magazine.
Shoppell's Modern Houses.
Smalley's Magazine.
Sound Currency. (Gift.)
Spectator.
Street Railway Review.
Stevens' Institute Indicator. (Gift.)
Strand.
Studio.
Success.
Sunset. (Gift.)
Temple Bar.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Theosophical Review.
Tilskueren.
Topical Architecture.
Traveller.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Velhagen und Klassing's Neue Monatshefte.
Westminster Review.
Woman's Journal.
World of Today.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.
Youth's Realm. (Gift.)

NEWS PAPERS.

Appeal. (Gift.)
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Duluth Posten. (Gift.)
Echo de l'Ouest. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Daily Tribune. (Gift.)
New York Evening Post.
Ortonville Journal. (Gift.)
Riverside. (Gift.)
St. Paul Daily Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily Globe.
St. Paul Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review. (Gift.)
St. Paul Tidende. (Gift.)
Shakopee Tribune. (Gift.)
Twin City Guardian. (Gift.)
Ugebladet. (Gift.)
Wanda Pioneer Press. (Gift.)
West St Paul Times. (Gift.)
White Bear Life. (Gift.)
Winnipeg Telegram. (Gift.)

RECAPITULATION.

Years.	Volumes in Library	Book Borrow's	Circulation	Paid for Books	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83.....	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887**.....	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	7.322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.....	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.....	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	3,756.75	710.45	6,875.97
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898.....	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	3.763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900.....	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901.....	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902.....	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903.....	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904.....	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.
**Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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To The Common Council:

You will find transmitted herewith the annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library, for such action as you deem proper.

Yours etc.,

ROBERT A SMITH,

Mayor.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

Gentlemen:—Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-fourth annual report of the board of directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1905.

The report of the librarian and the financial statement of the secretary and the librarian are also presented for your consideration.

On July 3, 1905, the judges of the District Court appointed the following directors to serve for three years: Vincent J. Hawkins, McNeil V. Seymour and Elbert A. Young, succeeding themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

ELBERT A. YOUNG,

President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Organized September 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
W. L. KELLY, JR., Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Pierce Butler.....Term Expires July 3, 1906.
Wm. B. Dean.....Term Expires July 3, 1906.
C. W. Ames.....Term Expires July 3, 1906.
F. A. Fogg.....Term Expires July 3, 1907.
John Rentz.....Term Expires July 3, 1907.
Jacob Dittenhofer.....Term Expires July 3, 1907.
Vincent J. Hawkins.....Term Expires July 3, 1908.
McNeil V. Seymour.....Term Expires July 3, 1908.
Elbert A. Young.....Term Expires July 3, 1908.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1904-05.

Building—Seymour, Fogg, Dittenhofer.
Administration—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
Library—Ames, Butler, Fogg.
Finance—Butler, Ames, Dean.
By-Laws—Hawkins, Rentz, Seymour.

LIBRARIAN.

HELEN J. McCAINE

Jane R. Fleming, Chief Cataloguer.

Julia Hess, Maud Smith, Annie Wood. Kate Drew and Stelle Corteau, Assistant Cataloguers.

Catherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.

William Gross, Assistant in Reference Room.

Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.

Belle Owens, Mary Rhodes and Edna Brack, Assistants in Circulating Department.

Blanche E. McKown, Superintendent of Reading Room.

Isabel Kay, Registration Clerk.

Lucy Rahn, Typewriter.

Elizabeth G. Dennis, Superintendent of Juvenile Department.

Anna de B. Kops, Hildegarde Rentz, Elmer Glaspie and Anna M. Smith, General Assistants.

Maximilian N. Lando, Leo Winter, K. Knoche and Henry Meyerding, Substitutes.

Anton Salfer and Fred Koenke, Janitors.

Tena Amenson and Tilda Norsted, Cleaners.

Joseph O'Brien, Elevator Operator.

Richard C. Lehman, Engineer.

Ray Snyder and Michael Brockman, Assistant Engineers,

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit herewith the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Secretary of your Board for the year ending December 31, 1905.

RECEIPTS.

January 1st, 1905, Balance		$10,810.96
Tax Levy, Certificates (1905)	$34,800.00	
Tax Levy, Balance (1904)	4,500.00	
Rents	19,849.96	
Fines	1,114.80	
Finding lists	17.09	
Lost cards	32.66	
Postal cards	33.20	
Lost books	65.04	
Pay books	335.65	
Sundries	1,007.39	
Bequest, Greeleaf Clark Estate	25,000.00	
Dividend Greenleaf Clark Securities	227.50	
Total receipts		86,983.29
Total with balance		$97,794.25

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$17,684.39
Books and periodicals	12,956.53
Binding	2,914.30
Furniture and fixtures	457.15
Building repairs	1,860.05
Stacks and fixtures	557.60
Heat	1,848.14
Light and power	2,781.13
Stationery and printing	714.95
Postage and express	119.32

Premiums on fire insurance	2,474.70	
New finding lists	438.62	
Distributing stations	469.95	
Sundries	496.94	
Investment, Greenleaf Clark Securities	24,492.50	
Investment, Greenleaf Clark Building Fund	235.00	
Total disbursements		$71,101.22
Balance on hand December 31, 1905		26,693.03
		$97,794.25

The standing of the several funds on December 31, 1905, was as follows:

General Fund	$26,693.03
Greenleaf Clark Building Fund	235.00
Greenleaf Clark Securities	26,000.00

Respectfully,

W. L. KELLY, Jr,

Secretary.

St. Paul, Minn., January 3, 1906.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

TO THE DIRECTORS OF THE ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-fourth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1905.

Following the order of previous reports the statistics of the different departments of the Library are given below.

GROWTH.

The whole number of volumes in the Library on December 31, 1905, was 80,248, an increase of 7,430 over the number reported last year. The total number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue was 9,102 of which 8,607 were purchased and 495 donated.

There were deducted during the year from the total number of volumes in the Library the following items: books worn out and taken from the shelves, 1,610; books lost and paid for, 47; unable to collect, 15.

Of the 1,610 worn out and withdrawn from circulation 559 were English prose fiction, 848 juvenile books, history 31, biography 15, travels 15, German literature 16 and 129 in other classes.

Among the books of more permanent value added to the reference room were the following:

Bewick, Works, 5 vols.; Callignon, Geschichte der Griechischen Plastik, 2 vols.; Calvert, Moorish Remains in Spain; Deuchar, Collection of Etchings; Forbes and Hanley, History of British Mollusca, 4 vols.; Foster, Miniature Painters, 2 vols.; Handbook of the Cathedrals of England, 8 vols.; Humphrey, Illuminated Books of the Middle Ages; Humphrey, Masterpieces of Early Printers and Engravers; Journal of Franklin Institute, 129 vols.; King, Mediæval Architecture and Art, 4 vols.; Lyongrun, Neue Ornamente; Martin, Historie de France, 17 vols.; Overbeck, Geschichte der Griechischen Plastik, 2 vols.; Pastern, Romanische Kirchenmalereien; Raschdorff, Architektur von Ober-Italien und Toscana Venedig; Riegelmann, Ausgeführte Ornamente, 5 vols.; Scottish Woodwork of the 16th and 17th Centuries; Smith, Reminiscences of Henry Angelo, 2 vols.; Stuart, Costume of the Clans; Texier and Pullen, L'Architecture Byzantine; Vestiarium Scoticum; Williams, Iolo Manuscripts.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total Accessions. of the Year.	Net Accessions. of the Year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	426	394	6,342
Biography	319	304	5,957
Travels	332	317	4,199
Poetry and drama	181	159	2,974
Miscellaneous	180	163	1,981
Collected works	100	88	1,050
Language and Literature	93	87	2,066
Fine arts	320	305	2,344
Mathematics	18	18	137
Practical arts	196	185	2,952
Natural science	171	163	2,832
Political and social science	308	297	3,272
Mental and moral science	131	118	1,149
Ancient classics	6	5	401
Religion	235	230	2,982
Medicine	48	44	481
Law	63	63	229
Periodicals and newspapers	954	941	11,327
Government documents and state papers	336	336	5,255
Bibliography	41	41	492
Statistics	32	32	316
Dictionaries and Encyclopedias	29	29	529
English prose fiction	2,146	1,561	11,618
Juvenile literature	1,933	1,067	6.496
Books in foreign languages	504	483	2,867
Total	9,102	7,430	80,248

DONATIONS

The gifts to the library during the past year comprise 495 books and 402 pamphlets. A large number of these gifts consist of reports and bulletins from other libraries and from the various departments of the United States Government at Washington.

The Misses Banvard presented two oil paintings which deserve mention, "The Sea of Galilee" painted by Mr. John Banvard. These paintings have been properly mounted and hung in the reading room.

A complete list of the donors with the number of their gifts follows this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total number of borrowers registered at the close of the last report was 13,275. During the year 5,869 cards were canceled, the two years for which they were given having expired, and 10,890 new registrations were added, making the total number of cards now in force 18,296.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The Library has been open for the circulation of books 304 week-days. The total circulation for home use was 263,051 volumes, an increase of 45,623 over the previous year. The daily average circulation was 865 volumes, against the daily average of 719 reported last year. The largest number of books issued on any one day was 1,709 on February 11; the smallest number 426 on August 4.

The amount of fines received from delinquent borrowers was $1,093.48; lost books $62.55; lost cards $33.15; reserve postals $32.65.

From the beginning of the year two-book cards were issued, whenever desired, allowing the holder the privilege of taking two books at one time, provided one only was fiction; fines were reduced from three cents to two cents per day and cards given for five years instead of two as heretofore. The guarantor was done away with, and applicants can now have a card without delay, provided satisfactory references are given.

In this as in all libraries it is impossible to supply the demand for new fiction. This has been sowewhat obviated by a Pay collection of the most popular novels for which five cents a week is charged. When a book is in great demand, after buying five copies for the regular circulation, duplicate copies, the number depending upon the popularity of the book, are bought and placed in the Pay collection. In this way borrowers may have the new book without waiting their turn for the regular copy. When the book has paid for itself it is put on the shelves for free circulation.

The cost of the Pay books has been $452.62; the receipts from their use has been $528.35. The privilege of taking home the more popular magazines, which are circulated as four day books, has given general satisfaction.

The open shelves in the delivery room have proved so popular that the shelf room has lately been doubled. About 3,000 volumes are now directly accessible to the public.

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The classification of the books issued for home reading, showing the number and percentage of each class is as follows:

	Volumes	Per c nt
History and Biography	10,960	4.17
Voyages and travels	3,904	1.48
Language	382	.14
Literature	10,119	3.85
Arts and Sciences	17,395	6.61
Religion	2,354	.89
Miscellaneous	5,257	2.00
English prose fiction	140,042	53.24
Juvenile literature	64,099	24.37
Foreign literature	8,539	3.25
Total	263,051	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Five delivery stations were opened by the Library during the year. A collection of two hundred books is sent to each of the five stations, and exchanged every three months. In addition to these books a messenger goes twice a week from the main Library to supply orders from the stations. Three of the stations are at drug stores where they are in charge of the proprietor of the store. One is at the Midway Y. M. C. A. and another at the Neighborhood House, West St. Paul. Each of the two last is cared for by the superintendent of the place. Within a short time station F, the Sixth, will be established at Weiler's drug store, cor. University Ave. and Dale St.

The following tables show the situation of the different stations and the circulation through each. The books issued through the stations are included in the general statistics of circulation.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

A—Midway Y. M. C. A., Merriam Park.

B—Bodin's Drug Store, Payne Ave.

C—Basty's Drug Store, Ohio St., West St. Paul.

D—Fiesler's Drug Store, Raymond Ave., St. Anthony Park.

E—Neighborhood House, Robertson St., West St. Paul.

CIRCULATION RECORD OF STATIONS.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
A—Merriam Park	155	244	335	309	296	377	369	398	240	434	425	258	3,840
B—Payne Ave	...	148	1089	779	755	838	604	723	355	659	733	494	7,177
C—West St. Paul	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	168	148	170	203	168	906
D—St. Anthony Park	...	...	...	...	...	...	73	316	232	283	435	305	1,644
E—Neighborhood House	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	213	213
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13,780

CLASSIFICATION AND FINDING LISTS.

With the increase of the library it was thought necessary to change the classification of the books into a more expansive and modern classification, the old system being outgrown. Accordingly the Decimal classification, one of the most popular systems and used in many of the leading libraries, was adopted. The whole Library will be classified, eventually, under that system. The work will necessarily be slow as the changes in classification require changes on the shelf list, catalogue cards and on the books themselves wherever the call number appears, and while this is going on with the old books, the new ones will have to be cared for.

Divisions of a new finding list will be printed as fast as the classes of books are rearranged. The class list English Prose Fiction including 11,618 volumes has already appeared. The second division containing Philosophy and Religion is now in the hands of the printer.

Library of Congress cards have been used as far as possible, thereby saving time and expense in the work of the card catalogue. The amount received for finding lists was $22.95. Thanks are due the Daily Dispatch for giving space in the paper for lists of new books. These lists are carefully printed even to the long call numbers, and are cut from the paper and pasted in a scrap book, which is kept where it can be consulted by the public.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

During the year there has been made a net addition of 1,067 volumes, making the whole number 6,496. The records show that 64,099 volumes have been circulated, a gain of 10,777 over last year.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

The reference room has been open to the public every day in the year from 9 A. M. to 10 P. M. The record of attendance for the entire year was 22,445, an ncrease of 1,323 over last year. The number of volumes issued from the stacks in the circulating department for use in the reference room was 14,225. No record is kept of books on the open shelves.

READING ROOM.

In the reading room 293 periodicals and 55 newspapers are kept on file where readers can consult them without any formality. Of the periodicals 260 are subscribed for; 33 are gifts. Of the 55 newspapers 34 are given. St. Paul newspapers number 8, Minneapolis 4, London, England 1, and the remainder are from different leading cities of the country.

The following table shows the nationality and frequency of publication of the 348 serials on file in the reading room.

	Quar.	Bi. Mo	Mo	Semi Mo.	Wkly.	Daily	Total
American	30	4	126	6	67	36	269
British	7	.....	26	.....	16	1	50
German	.....	.....	9	1	5	1	16
French	.....	.....	1	2	3	.....	6
Italian	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Norwegian	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	...	2
Swedish	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1
Danish	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1
Hungarian	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Miscellaneous	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Total	38	4	163	11	94	38	348

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the binderies was 5,560. Of these 4,785 were miscellaneous books and 775 periodicals. Attendants at the Library repaired 10,861 volumes; at the binderies 351 were required.

Respectfully,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

St. Paul, Jan. 3, 1906.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1905.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Agricultural and Mechanical Association, Washington Co., Ohio	1	..
American-Irish Historical Society, Boston, Mass	1	..
American Lumberman, Chicago, Ill	1	..
American Type Founders' Co	1	..
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Atlanta University, Altanta, Ga	1	..
Battersea Public Library, Battersea, Eng	..	1
Betz, Louis	1	..
Bolton, Mrs. S. K., Cleveland, Ohio	1	..
British Columbia Minister of Mines, Victoria, Can	2	..
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	..	1
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	..	1
Burlington City Council, Burlington, Iowa	1	..
Canada Interior Department	1	..
Carnegie Free Library and Carnegie Club, Braddock, Pa	..	1
Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh, Pa	..	1
Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, N. Y	1	..
Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago, Ill	1	..
Chicago Department of Public Works, Chicago, Ill	1	..
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	..	4
Chicago University, Chicago, Ill	10	..
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	..	1
Cincinnati University, Cincinnati, Ohio	1	..
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	..	1
Columbus Public Library, Columbus, Ohio	..	1
Columbus Public School Library, Columbus, Ohio	..	1
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	..	1
Connecticut Geological and Natural History Survey	3	..
Cox, Ethel Louise, Brooklyn, N. Y	1	..
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	..
Dayton Public Library and Museum, Dayton, Ohio	..	1
Denver Public Library, Denver, Col	4	..
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	.	1
Dion, Miss Didie	10	..

	Books.	Pamphlets.
District of Columbia Public Library, Washington, D. C.	..	1
Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.	..	2
Duluth Public Library, Duluth, Minn	..	1
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	..	1
Erie Public Library, Erie, Pa	..	1
Evanston Free Public Library, Evanston, Ill	..	1
Fandel, Peter, Chicago, Ill	1	..
Farnham Printing and Stationery Co., Minneapolis, Minn	1	..
Fitzpatrick, F. W., Washington, D. C	1	..
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass	..	2
Friend, F. H	2	..
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	..	1
Goode, H. W., Portland, Ore	1	..
Grout, Edward M., New York City	2	..
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	4	1
Hoboken Free Public Library, N. J	..	1
Illinois Historical Society	1	..
International Reform Bureau, Washington, D. C	1	..
Interstate Commerce Commission	2	..
Iowa State Library	1	..
Jersey City Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	..	1
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	..	1
Kansas Department of Agriculture	19	..
Lange, D	3	..
Lewis, T. R	1	..
Leyton Urban District Council Public Libraries, Leyton, Eng	..	1
Lincoln City Library, Lincoln, Neb	..	1
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	..	1
Macmillan and Co., New York City	1	..
Marburg, Theodore, Baltimore, Md	1	..
Marshalltown Public Library, Marshalltown, Iowa	..	1
Michigan Board of Health	..	1
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	..
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	..	1
Ministry of Agriculture, Lousiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo	1	..
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	..	1
Minnesota Academy of Natural Science	1	..
Minnesota Art Society	..	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Minnesota Chief Fire Warden	1	..
Minnesota National Guard, First Infantry, Co. "C"	1	..
Minnesota Public Library Commission	..	2
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	1	..
Minnesota State Reformatory	..	1
Minnesota University	4	..
Missouri Commission to Louisiana Purchase Exposition	1	..
Mitchell, Rev. E. C	1	..
National Academy of Science, Washington, D. C.	2	..
National Educational Association, Milwaukee, Wis	1	..
New York Farmers, New York City	3	..
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	..	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	..	1
Oakland Free Library, Oakland, Cal	..	1
Octavia Hill Association, Philadelphia, Pa	1	..
Omaha Public Library, Omaha, Neb	..	1
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Ontario, Can	2	..
Osaka Library, Nakanoshima, Osaka, Japan	..	1
Ottumwa Public Library, Ottumwa, Iowa	..	1
Owatonna Public Library, Owatonna, Minn	..	1
Periodical Publishers' Association of America, New York City	1	..
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.	..	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	..	1
Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N. H	1	..
Phipps, H., New York City	1	..
Pratt, Lieut. Col. R. H.. Carlisle, Pa	1	..
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	..	1
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	..	1
Robinson, Dr. E. V	1	..
Royal Historical Society, London, Eng	1	..
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Lous, Mo	..	1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	..	1
St. Paul Park Commission	2	..
St. Paul Humane Society	..	1
St. Paul Philatetic Society	1	..
St. Paul Playground Committee	1	..
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	..	1
San Francisco, Cal., Hospital for Children	..	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Schuyler, Miss L. L., New York City	1	..
Schuyler, Philip P., Irvington-on-Hudson, N. Y	1	..
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	..	1
Shakspeare Society, Philadelphia, Pa	1	..
Silk Association of America, New York City	2	..
Skeen, George J., Colombo, Ceylon	1	..
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	32	..
Society of Colonial Wars in the District of Columbia	1	..
Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, New York City	3	..
Stevens, C. Ellis, Brooklyn, N. Y	1	..
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	..	1
Toledo Public Library, Toledo, Ohio	..	1
United States Department of Agriculture	23	175
United States Department of Labor	24	..
United States Department of State	25	34
United States Fish Commission	17	..
United States Interior Department	54	101
United States Judiciary Department	5	..
United States Library of Congress	51	24
United States Navy Department	12	..
United States Patent Office	7	..
United States Post Office Department	3	..
United States Treasury Department	21	2
United States War Department	81	..
Universal Peace Congress, Boston, Mass	1	..
Unknown	2	..
Vermont University, Burlington, Vt	..	1
Walsh, A. R	1	..
Watertown Public Library, Watertown, Mass	..	1
West Publishing Co	4	..
Wiggins, Mrs. Frank, Los Angeles, Cal	1	..
Wilson, H. W. Co., Minneapolis, Minn	2	..
Wisconsin Free Library Commission	..	1
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	..	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	..	1
Wright, Rev. John	1	..
Total	495	402

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Photographer.
Amateur Work.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Boy.
American Chemical Journal.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Electrician.
American Engineer and Railway Journal.
American Geologist.
American Historical Review.
American Homes and Gardens.
American Institute of Architects' Proceedings. (Gift.)
American Institute of Social Service.
American Inventor.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Journal of Theology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine.
American Monthly. (Gift.)
American Naturalist.
American Poultry Journal.
Annals of American Academy of Political and Social Science.
Annals of Propagation of the Faith. (Gift.)
Appleton's Magazine.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Arena.
Argonaut
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Journal.
Asiatic Quarterly Review.
Association Review. (Gift.)
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.

Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Bankers' Magazine.
Bankers' Monthly. (Gift.)
Baumeister, Der.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Bird Lore.
Birds and Nature.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Boys and Girls.
Bookman.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brick.
Brick Builder.
British Journal of Photography.
British Monthly.
Brush and Pencil.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Burlington Magazine.
Business Man's Magazine and Bookkeeper.

Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building
Cassell's Magazine.
Cassier's Magazine.
Catholic Quarterly Review.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities and the Commons.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Chicago Banker. (Gift.)
Christian Advocate. (Gift.)
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal. (Gift.)
Christian Science Sentinel. (Gift.)
Churchman.
Church Record. (Gift.)
Collier's Weekly.
Colored American Magazine.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Congressional Record. (Gift.)
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life. (English.)
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Critic.
Cumulative Index.
Current Literature.

Deutsche Hausschatz.
Deutsche Monatschrift.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Dial.
Dublin Review.
Dog Fancier. (Gift.)

Eclectic Magazine.
Economic Geology.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Engineer.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Everybody's Magazine.
Every Other Sunday.
Expository Times.

Farmer. (St. Paul.) (Gift.)
Farmer. (Orange Judd.)
Farmer's Voice. (Gift.)
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blatter.
Floral Life.
Forestry and Irrigation.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.

Gardening.
Garden Magazine.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Good Government.
Good Words.
Granite Monthly.
Green Bag.

Harper's Bazaar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Hibbert Journal.
Horseless Age.
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper. (Gift.)

Illustrated London News.
L'Illustration.
L'Illustrazione Italiana.
Immigration Restriction League.
Independent.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Quarterly.
Irrigation Age.

Johns Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Chemical Society.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of American Osteopathic Association. (Gift.)
Journal of Education.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of the Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophily. (Gift)
Judge.
Judicious Advertising.
Juvenile Court Record. (Gift.)

Keith's Magazine.
Keramic Studio.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kladderadatsch.
Kunst, Die.
Kunst Unserer Zeit, Die.

Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review. (Gift.)
Leslie's Weekly.
Liberator. (Gift.)
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Zentralblatt.
Literary Digest.
Literary World. (English.)
Littell's Living Age.
London Graphic.
London Quarterly Review.
Longman's Magazine.

McClure's Magazine.
MacMillan's Magazine.
Magazine of Art.
Magazine of History.
Masters in Art.
Masters in Music.
Maxwell' Talisman (Gift.)
Medical Record.
Methodist Review.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Munsey's Magazine.
Musical Leader. (Gift.)

Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographical Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.

Official Gazette. (Gift.)
Open Court.
Our Animal Friends. (Gift.)
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.

Pacific Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery and Landscape Gardening
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin Stenographer. (Gift.)
Petermam's Mittheilungen
Pitman's Journal. (Gift.)
Poet Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics.
Popular Science Monthly.
Poultry Herald. (Gift.)
Princeton Theological Review.
Printers' Ink.
Progressive Printer.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion. (American.)
Public Opinion. (English.)
Publishers' Circular.
Publishers' Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.

Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.

Railway Age.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
Riverside. (Gift.)

St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Review.
Schoppell's Modern Houses.
Science.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scribner's Magazine.
Sewanee Review.
Single-tax Review. (Gift.)
Sound Currency. (Gift.)
Spectator.
Stevens Institute Indicator. (Gift.)
Strand.
Street Railway Review.
Studio.
Success.
System.

Technical World.
Technology Quarterly.
Temple Bar.
Theatre.

Theological Quarterly. (Gift.)
Theosophical Quarterly. (Gift.)
Theosophical Review. (Gift.)
Tilskueren.

Ueber Land und Meer.
Uj Vilage. (Gift.)
Unity.

Velhagen und Klasings Monatshefte.
Voice of the Negro.

Westminster Review.
Wide World Magazine.
Woman's Journal.
Work With Boys.
World To-day.
World's Work.

Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.
Youth's Realm.

NEWSPAPERS.

Atlanta Constitution.

Baltimore Sun.
Boston Evening Transcript.
Buffalo Commercial Advertiser.

Chicago Daily Tribune.
Chicago Record Herald.
Cincinnati Enquirer.
Cleveland Leader.

Denver Graphic. (Gift.)
Detroit Free Press.
Detroit Standard. (Gift.)
Duluth Evening Herald.
Duluth Posten. (Swedish.) (Gift.)

Eureka Tobacco Plains Journal. (Gift.)

Kansas City Star. (Gift.)
Kansas City Star Times.

Lincoln Commoner. (Gift.)
London Times.
Louisville Courier Journal.

Milwaukee Sentinel.
Minneapolis Daily Tribune.
Minneapolis Echo de L'Ouest. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Progress. (Gift.)
Minneapolis Ugebladet. (Norwegian.) (Gift.)
Minnetonka Record. (Gift.)

New Orleans Picayune.

New York Evening Post.
New York Sun.
New York Times.
New York Tribune.

Ortonville Journal. (Gift.)
Omaha Bee.

Philadelphia Public Ledger.
Pine City Pine Poker. (Gift.)
Portland Morning Oregonian.

St. Louis Globe Democrat.
St. Paul and Minneapolis Twin City Journal. (Gift.)
St. Paul Appeal. (Gift.)
St. Paul Dispatch.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review. (Gift.)
St. Paul Tidende. (Norwegian.) (Gift.)
St. Paul Volkszeitung.
San Francisco Chronicle.
Seattle Post Intelligencer.
Shakopee Tribune. (Gift.)
Springfield Republican.
Stillwater Messenger. (Gift.)

Washington Evening Star.
Washington Post.
West St. Paul Times.
White Bear Life. (Gift.)
Winnipeg Morning Telegram.

RECAPITULATION.

YEARS.	Volumes in Library	Book Borrowers	Circulation	Paid for Books	Paid for Periodicals	Paid for Salaries
1882-83.....	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884.....	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885.....	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886.....	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888.....	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889.....	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890.....	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891.....	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892.....	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893.....	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894.....	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895.....	40,773	10,471	186,336	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1896.....	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897.....	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898.....	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899.....	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900.....	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901.....	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902.....	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903.....	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904.....	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99
1905.....	80,248	18,296	263,051	12,232.31	724.22	17,684.39

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

†Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS.
The Library.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Saint Paul:

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-fifth annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1906.

The report of the librarian and the financial statement of the secretary are also presented for your consideration.

On July 3, 1906 the judges of the District Court appointed the following directors to serve for three years: Pierce Butler, Wm. B. Dean and C. W. Ames, succeeding themselves.

The Greenleaf Clark Building Fund and Securities now amounts to upwards of $27,000.00 by interest accumulations.

During the past two years the Board has installed eight distributing stations in outlying districts of the city, and during the past year 34,967 volumes have been circulated from these stations.

The Board has recently purchased six hundred volumes for exclusive circulation among the members of the Fire Department, these to be interchanged between the different fire houses.

The Board are considering the advisability of purchasing a special collection of about 2,500 books to be placed in the several public school buildings, subject to the approval of the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ELBERT A. YOUNG,
President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Organized September 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, *President.*
PIERCE BUTLER, *Vice President.*
W. L. KELLY, JR., *Secretary.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Pierce Butler	Term Expires July 3, 1909.
Wm. B. Dean	Term Expires July 3, 1909.
C. W. Ames	Term Expires July 3, 1909.
F. A. Fogg	Term Expires July 3, 1907.
John Rentz	Term Expires July 3, 1907.
Jacob Dittenhofer	Term Expires July 3, 1907.
Vincent J. Hawkins	Term Expires July 3, 1908.
McNeil V. Seymour	Term Expires July 3, 1908.
Elbert A. Young	Term Expires July 3, 1908.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1906-07.

Building—Seymour, Fogg, Dittenhofer.
Administration—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
Finance—Butler, Ames, Dean.
By-Laws—Dean, Dittenhofer, Rentz.

LIBRARIAN.

HELEN J. MCCAINE.

Jane R. Fleming, Head Cataloguer.
Julia Hess, Maud Smith, Annie Wood, Assistant Cataloguers.
Catherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.
William Spangler, Assistant in Reference Room.
Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.
Edna Brack, Accession Department.
Belle Owens, Anna de B. Kops, Anna M. Smith, Assistants in Circulating Department.
Blanche E. McKown, Superintendent of Reading Room.
Isabel Kay, Registration Clerk.
Lucy Rahn, Typwriter.
Elizabeth G. Dennis, Superintendent of Juvenile Department.
Kate Drew, Stella Corteau, Hildegarde Rentz, Elmer Glaspie, General Assistants.
Leo Winter, Henry Meyerding, Substitutes.
Anton Salfer, Fred Koenke, Janitors.
Tena Amenson, Tilda Norsted, Cleaners.
Louis Koenke, Elevator Operator.
Richard C. Lehman, Engineer.
William Brockman, Michael Brockman, Assistant Engineers.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

To the Board of Directors of the Saint Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-fifth annual report of the Secretary of your Board, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1st, 1906, cash balance General Fund		$26,693.03
Tax Levy Certificates (80% of levy)	$24,800.00	
Taxes (balance of levy)	6.200.00	
Rents	21,649.97	
Fines	1,407.69	
Finding lists	37.20	
Lost cards	37.20	
Postal cards	39.87	
Lost books	35.70	
Pay books	873.80	
Sundries	829.75	
Total receipts		55,911.18
Total receipts with balance		$82,604.21

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$20,082.09
Books	15,098.84
Periodicals	1,016.84
Binding	2,468.15
Furniture and repairs	524.89
Stacks and fixtures	545.00
Building repairs	1,669.61
Heat	2,262.47
Light and power	3,279.76

Printing and stationery	482.00	
Postage and expressage	124.56	
Fire insurance premium	2,295.90	
New finding lists	576.20	
Distributing stations	239.50	
Sundries	937.40	
Total disbursements	51,603.31	
Cash balance General Fund, Jan. 1, 1907	31,000.90	
		$82,604.21

The standing of the several funds on Jan. 1st, 1907, was as follows:

Cash balance General Fund	$31,000.90
Balance, Greenleaf Clark Bld'g Fund	137.09
Greenleaf Clark Securities	27,000.00

Very respectfully,

W. L. KELLY, JR.,

Secretary.

Dated Saint Paul, Minn., January 5, 1907.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

To the Directors of the Saint Paul Public Library:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-fifth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1906.

Following the order of previous reports the statistics of the different departments are given below.

GROWTH.

Although the number of volumes added has been somewhat less than in the previous year, there has been a gratifying increase in the use of the Library in all of the departments. The number of volumes in the Library at the close of the last report was 80,248.

During the past year the total additions have been 8,187, comprising purchases and gifts. There were purchased 7,877 volumes; 310 volumes were donated.

During the year there were deducted from the total number of volumes in the Library the following items; worn out and taken from the shelves 2,180; books lost and paid for 30; unable to collect 27, making a present total of 86,198 volumes.

Of the 2,180 volumes worn out and taken from the shelves 957 were English prose fiction, 1,081 juvenile books, history 18, biography 10, German literature 36 and 78 in other classes.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total Accessions of the year.	Net Accessions of the year.	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
History	298	279	6,621
Biography	294	284	6,241
Travels	313	309	4,508
Poetry and drama	137	121	3,095
Miscellaneous	127	115	2,096
Collected works	94	94	1,144
Language and literature	80	77	2,143
Fine arts	336	329	2,673
Mathematics	5	4	141
Practical arts	275	268	3,220
Natural science	153	148	2,980

Political and social science	432	422	3,694
Mental and moral science	177	170	1,319
Ancient classics	15	14	415
Religion	714	710	3,692
Medicine	30	29	510
Law	50	50	279
Periodicals and newspapers	657	652	11,979
Government documents and state papers	158	158	5,413
Bibliography	31	31	523
Statistics	26	26	342
Dictionaries and encyclopedias	13	12	541
English prose fiction	1,897	906	12,524
Juvenile literature	1,607	512	7,008
Books in foreign languages	268	230	3,097
Total	8,187	5,950	86,198

DONATIONS.

The gifts to the Library the past year comprise 310 books and 280 pamphlets.

A list of the persons and institutions to which the Library has been indebted during the year, with the number of their gifts, is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total number of borrowers registered at the close of the last report was 18,296.

During the year 6,851 cards were canceled, the two years for which they were given having expired and 10,068 new registrations were added, making the whole number of cards now in force 21,513, an increase of 3,217 over last year.

All the two-year cards have been canceled. Since January 1, 1905, cards have been given for five years instead of two as heretofore. Outstanding cards are good for five years from the time they were issued.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The Library has been open for the circulation of books 301 days. This department was closed three days in May on account of repairs.

The total circulation for home use was 304,626 volumes, an increase

of 41,575 over the previous year. The daily average circulation was 1,013 volumes against the daily average of 865 volumes reported last year.

The largest number of books issued on any one day was 2,064 on March 3; the smallest number 466 on August 16.

The following is an account of money received for fines, etc:

Fines	$1,445.88
Finding lists	35.50
Bulletins	.38
Lost cards	38.20
Postals	40.93
Lost books	35.70
Pay books	862.80
Total	$2,459.39

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The classification of the books for home reading, showing the number and percentage of each class is as follows:

	Volumes	Per cent
History and biography	11,823	3.88
Voyages and travels	4,415	1.45
Language	654	.21
Literature	11,521	3.78
Arts and sciences	20,334	6.68
Religion	3,529	1.16
Miscellaneous	10,677	3.50
English prose fiction	161,971	53.17
Juvenile literature	69,929	22.96
Foreign literature	9,773	3.21
Total	304,626	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Two additional delivery stations were opened by the Library during the year. One in January at Weller's Drug Store, University Ave.; another in December at Universalist Church Reading Room, Mackubin St. Station C, West St. Paul, was changed from Bastyr's Drug Store to Fitzsimmon's Notion Store.

From the stations 34,967 volumes have been circulated during the year. The following table shows the use of books passing through the stations:

DELIVERY STATIONS.

A—Midway Y. M. C. A., Merriam Park.
B—Bodin's Drug Store, Payne Ave.
C—Fitzsimmon's Notion Store, Ohio St., West St. Paul.
D—Fiesler's Drug Store, Raymond Ave., St. Anthony Park.
E—Neighborhood House, Robertson St., West St. Paul.
F—Weiler's Drug Store, University Ave.
G—Universalist Church Reading Room, Mackubin St.

CIRCULATION RECORD OF STATIONS.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	TOTAL
A—Merriam Park.....	411	349	346	570	444	543	491	592	596	486	604	459	5,891
B—Payne Ave.....	582	739	849	1,009	536	709	606	586	837	744	822	816	8,785
C—West St. Paul.....	264	228	306	292	214	156	186	317	211	289	535	644	3,642
D—St. Anthony Park...	647	673	677	698	343	354	298	238	318	245	329	245	5,060
E—Neighborhood house	585	719	992	592	519	316	196	235	196	347	896	617	6,210
F—University Ave.....	47	475	719	346	757	586	351	232	609	359	441	322	5,194
G—Mackubin Street...												185	185
TOTAL	2,486	3,183	3,889	3,507	2,813	2,614	2,128	2,200	2,762	2,470	3,627	3,288	34,967

CLASSIFICATION AND CARD CATALOGUE.

The work of bringing the 60,000 volumes which the Library contained when the Decimal system was adopted, is still going on with unabated zeal. Mrs. J. R. Fleming submits the following report of the work in this department:

The aim of the department is to have all books accessioned, classified and catalogued as soon after they are received as possible.

When the books are delayed in getting to the shelves it is owing to the large undertaking of changing the classification of about 60,000 volumes that were in the Library before the system was changed to the Decimal classification.

This necessitates the re-writing or changing of all the cards of these books. The new books are classified according to the Decimal system, catalogued and are then ready for circulation or reference.

The books in the old system are taken up, one section at a time, and as soon as all the books in the Library in that division, are completed, a class-list is to be printed.

In September 1905, Class-list No. 1, English prosse fiction, containing about 11,173 volumes was published, followed in July, 1906, by Class-list

No. 2, Philosophy and religion, containing 4,728 volumes. As soon in 1907 as possible Class-list No. 3, Sociology will be published.

Library of Congress cards have been used whenever possible. These cards cost little more than card stock and save labor and time to a great extent. About 8,914 of these cards have been purchased in 1906, at a cost of $102.31.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

The records show a total accession of 1,607 volumes. During the year 1,081 volumes were worn out, making a net addition of 512 books. The whole number of volumes in this department is 7,008.

Miss Elizabeth G. Dennis in charge makes the following report:

No record of visitors is kept, but the department serves constantly as a reading and reference room. There are few changes to report.

In January St. Nicholas magazine was put into circulation. At first it traveled at a halting gait and it was found necessary to push it a little by posting "contents" and directing attention to special features and continued stories. Now all methods of advertising have been dropped as there is a steady call for current copies and the back numbers which are shelved in a convenient place are frequently charged on cards and are daily found on the tables.

During the year it was noticeable that many duplicate books were needed, and it is encouraging to report that a large part of them were history, biography, classics and standard fiction. It is evident to those watching closely that the standard of reading is slowly being raised.

An effort to stimulate the output of non-fiction was made the first of September by allowing two books drawn on one card, if one book was fiction. The result so far, has been very satisfactory. Children, particularly boys, who always drew recreative reading matter are now adding history, biography, books of animal life, practical arts, etc., to their lists.

When the guarantor was done away with the card holders increased rapidly, and under the new rules there has not been added loss of books, but there is a larger accumulation of cards held for fines, and the holders of these cards have been practically driven from the Library through their inability to meet these charges. The fine system is a serious detriment to the work.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

The reference room has been open to the public 356 days during the year from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. In the month of May this department was closed for 9 days on account of repairs.

The record of attendance for the year was 33,324. The number of volumes issued from the stacks for use in the reference room was 30,485. The work of the reference room steadily increases. College professors, students, teachers and high school debaters make constant use of this department. There is also a gratifying patronage from surrounding towns.

READING ROOM.

In the reading room 328 periodicals and 56 newspapers are kept on file where readers can consult them without any formality.

BINDING.

The number of books sent to the binderies was 4,556. Of these 4,014 were miscellaneous books and 542 periodicals. Attendants at the Library repaired 17,409 volumes; at the binderies 137 were repaired.

At the binderies 997 copies of periodicals to circulate were bound in inexpensive binding.

Respectfully,
HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

St. Paul, January 9, 1907.

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Albany Law Journal.
Amateur Work.
American Agriculturist.
American Amateur Photographer.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect.
American Boy.
American Catholic Quarterly Review.
American Chemical Journal.
American Contractor.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Engineer and Railway Journal.
American Historical Review.
American Homes and Gardens.
American Inventor.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Journal of Theology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine.
American Monthly Magazine.
American Monthly Review of Reviews.
American Naturalist.
American Poultry Journal.
Annals of American Academy of Political Science.
Annals of the Propagation of the Faith.
Appleton's Magazine.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.

Architectural Record.
Architectural Review.
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Journal.
Asiatic Quarterly Review.
Assembly Herald.
Association Review.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.

Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Bankers' Magazine.
Bankers' Monthly.
Baumeister.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Billboard.
Bird Lore.
Birds and Nature.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Board of Trade Journal.
Bookman.
Boston Alaskan.
Boys and Girls.
Bradstreet's Weekly.
Brick.
Brick Builder.
British Journal of Photography.
Brush and Pencil.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Burlington Magazine.
Business Man's Magazine.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Case and Comment.
Cassell's Magazine.
Cassier's Magazine.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers' Journal.
Charities and The Commons.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Chicago Banker.
Christian Advocate.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal.
Christian Science Sentinel.
Church Record.
Churchman.
Collier's Weekly.
Colored American Magazine.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Concrete.
Congressional Record.
Contemporary Review.
Cook's Traveler's Gazette.
Cornhill.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life.
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Cumulative Book Index.
Cumulative Book Review Digest.
Current Literature.

Deutsche Kunst and Dekoration.
Deutsche Monatschrift.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Deutscher Hausschatz.
Dial.
Dog Fancier.
Dramatic Mirror.
Dublin Review.

Eclectic Magazine.
Economic Geology.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electric Railway Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Engineer.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering and Mining Journal.

Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Every Other Sunday.
Everybody's Magazine.
Expository Times.

Farmer. (Orange Judd.)
Farmer. (St. Paul.)
Farmer's Voice.
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.
Floral Life.
Forest and Stream.
Forestry and Irrigation.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Fruit Grower.

Garden Magazine.
Gardener's Chronicle.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Good Government.
Good Housekeeping.
Good Words.
Graphic.
Granite Monthly.
Green Bag.

Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Health Culture.
Herald of the Cross.
Hibbert Journal.
Home Needlework Magazine.
Horseless Age.
Horseshoers' Journal.
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper.

Illustrated London News.
Illustration.
Illustrazione Italiana.
Immigration Restriction League.
Independent.
Indian's Friend.
Indoors and Out.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
Iron Age.
Irrigation Age.
John Hopkins University Studies.
Journal of American Chemical Society.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of American Osteopathic Association.
Journal of Education.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoöphily.
Judge.
Judicious Advertising.
Juvenile Court Record.

Keramic Studio.
Keith's Magazine.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kladderadatsch.
Kunst.
Kunst Unserer Zeit.

Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review.
Leslie's Weekly.
Library Index.

Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Zentralblatt.
Literary Digest and Public Opinion.
Literary World.
Living Age.
London Quarterly Review.

McClure's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of History.
Marine Engineering.
Masters in Art.
Medical Record.
Maxwell's Talisman.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Methodist Review.
Mind.
Missionary Review.
Moody's Magazine.
Munsey's Magazine.
Munsey's Scrapbook.
Musical Courier.
Musical Leader.

Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographic Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Cathedral Bulletin.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.

Official Gazette.
Open Court.
Our Animal Friends.
Our Dumb Animals.

Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook. (English.)
Overland Monthly.

Pacific Monthly.
Pall Mall.
Park and Cemetery and Landscape Gardening.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin Stenographer.
Petermann's Mittheilungen.
Pitman's Journal.
Poet Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics.
Popular Science Monthly.
Poultry Herald.
Princeton Theological Review.
Printer's Ink.
Progressive Printer.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion.
Publisher's Circular.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Putnam's Monthly and Critic.

Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.

Railway Age.
Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Review of Reviews.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
Riverside.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.

Save the Boys.
School Education.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American and Supplement.
Scribner's Magazine.
Sewanee Review.
Single Tax Review.
Social Service.
South Atlantic Quarterly.
Spectator.
Stevens Institute Indicator.
Strand.
Studio.
Success.
System.

Technical World.
Temple Bar.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly.
Theosophical Quarterly.
Theosophical Review.
Tilskueren.
Uber Land und Meer.
Union University Quarterly.
Unity.
Universalist Leader.

Velhagen und Klasing's Neue Monatshefte.
Voice of the Negro.

Western Architect.
Westminster Review.
Wide World Magazine.
Woman's Journal.
Work with Boys.
World To-day.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.
Youth's Realm.

NEWSPAPERS.

Atlanta Constitution.

Baltimore Sun.
Boston Evening Transcript.
Buffalo Commercial.

Casco Bay Breeze.
Chicago Record Herald.
Chicago Tribune.
Cincinnati Enquirer.
Cleveland Leader.
Currier Franco—Americain.
Denver Graphic.
Detroit Free Press.
Detroit Standard.
Duluth Evening Herald.
Duluth Posten.

Eureka Tobacco Plains Journal.

Gerard Appeal to Reason.

Kansas City Star.
Kansas City Star-Times.

Lincoln Commoner.
London Times.
Louisville Courier Journal.

Milwaukee Sentinel.
Minneapolis Echo de L'quest.
Minneapolis Progress.
Minneapolis Tribune.
Minnetonka Record.

New Orleans Picayune.
New York Post.
New York Sun.
New York Times.
New York Tribune.

Omaha Bee.
Ortonville Big Stone County Journal.

Philadelphia Public Ledger.
Pine City Pine Poker.
Portland Morning Oregonian.

St. Louis Globe Democrat.
St. Paul Appeal.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Dispatch.
St. Paul Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review.
St. Paul Tidende.
St. Paul Twin City Journal.
St. Paul Ugebladet.
St. Paul Volkzeitung.
San Francisco Chronicle.
Seattle Post Intelligencer.
Shokapee Tribune.
Springfield Republican.

Washington Post.
Washington Star.
West St. Paul Times.
White Bear Life.
Winnipeg Morning Telegram.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1906.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Abbot Public Library, Marblehead, Mass	...	1
American Bar Association, St. Louis, Mo	1	...
American-Irish Historical Society, Boston, Mass	1	...
American Lumberman, Chicago, Ill	1	...
American Printing House for the Blind, Louisville, Ky	...	1
Ancient Landmark Lodge	1	...
Andrews, Gen. C. C	1	...
Andrews, Dr C. D	19	...
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Armstrong, Geo. B. Jr, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Beardsley, Benjamin F	1	...
Betz, Louis	3	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	1
Brick, G. M	6	...
British Columbia Minister of Mines, Victoria, Can	1	...
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	1
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Butte Public Library, Butte, Mont	...	1
California State Mining Bureau	1	...
Carnegie Free Library, Braddock, Pa	...	1
Cary, C. P., Madison, Wis	4	...
Chicago City Council, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	...	2
Chicago University, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Clark, Charles H	2	...
Cleveland Educational Commission, Cleveland, Ohio	...	1
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	...	1
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	...	2
Connecticut Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Charity Organization of New York City	17	...
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...
Davis, Geo. B., Boston, Mass	1	...
Dayton Public Library and Museum, Dayton, Ohio	...	1
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
District of Columbia Public Library, Washington, D. C	...	1
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	1
Executive Committee of the Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Settlement of the Jews in the United States	1	...
Farmers' Club of Minnesota, St. Anthony Park, Minn	1	...
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	2	...
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass	...	1
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Grout, Edward M., New York City	1	...
Hartford Public Library, Hartford, Conn	...	1
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	1	1
Hawks, Charles B	2	...
Hazen, J. M., Minneapolis, Minn	2	...
Heber, R. Bishop Estate, New York City	2	...
Hess, Rev. E. L	3	...
Hoboken Public Library, Hoboken, N. J	...	1
Interstate Commerce Commission	5	...
Jersey City Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	1
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	1	1
Juvenile Improvement Association, Denver, Colo	2	...
Kansas Department of Agriculture	2	...
Kellogg, Miss Clara N	1	...
Kellogg Public Library, Green Bay, Wis	...	1
Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Ill	2	...
Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration, Lake Mohonk, N. Y	...	1
Langford, N. P	1	...
Lewis, T. H	3	...
Lexington Public Library, Lexington, Ky	...	1
Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, Neb	...	1
Lombard, Louis, Lugano, Switzerland	1	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Ky	...	1
Malden Public Library, Malden, Mass	...	1
Merchants' Association of New York City	2	...
Merriam, W. R., Liberty Furnace, Va	1	...
Michigan Board of Health	2	...
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
waukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	1	...
ıeapolis Board of Park Commissioners, Minneapolis, ın	1	...
apolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	1
ınnesota Board of Corrections and Charities	...	1
Minnesota Bureau of Labor	1	...
Minnesota Historical Society	5	...
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	1	...
Minnesota University	1	...
Morris, John D. Co., Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	...	1
National Association of Stationary Engineers, Chicago	1	...
Nattrass, Rev. John	1	...
New Haven Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn	...	1
New York Chamber of Commerce	1	...
New York Department of Public Instruction	6	...
New York Farmers, New York City	1	...
New York Legislature	1	...
New York Society Library, New York City	...	1
New Zealand Department of Tourist and Health Resort, Wellington, N. Z	1	...
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	...	1
Newcomb, H. T., Washington, D. C	1	...
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill	1	...
Osaka Library, Nakanoshima, Osaka, Japan	...	1
Ottawa Free Press, Ottawa, Can	1	...
Ottawa Superintendent of Immigration, Ottawa, Can	1	...
Ottumwa Public Library, Ottumwa, Iowa	...	1
Palmer, Rev. Francis L., Stillwater, Minn	1	...
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	...	1
Philadelphia Board of Park Commissioners, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Pitman, Isaac and Sons, New York City	1	...
Providence Athenaeum, Providence, R. I	...	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	...	1
Rand, McNally and Co., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Reformed Mennonite Church, Chambersburg, Pa	1	...
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	...	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Paul Humane Society	...	1
St. Paul Theosophical Society	2	...
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Schwaebe, L. H., Los Angeles, Cal	1	...
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash	...	1
Sellstedt, Lars G., Buffalo, N. Y	1	...
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn	1	...
Silk Association of America, New York City	...	1
Slack, H. W	6	...
Smith, Joseph F., Salt Lake City, Utah	1	...
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	11	...
Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, New York City	1	...
Solberg, Thorvald, Washington, D. C	1	...
South Australia Legislative Council	2	...
Swedish Tourist Traffic Society, Stockholm, Sweden	1	...
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	...	1
Taylor, H. Knox	1	...
Toledo Public Library, Toledo, Ohio	...	1
Towle Manufacturing Co., Newburyport, Mass	1	...
United States Civil Service Commission	1	...
United States Department of Agriculture	13	167
United States Department of Commerce and Labor	16	21
United States Department of State	3	...
United States Interior Department	50	24
United States Library of Congress	13	...
United States Patent Office	3	...
United States Superintendent of Documents	1	...
United States Treasury Department	6	4
United States War Department	31	5
Vivisection Reform Society	1	...
Warren Co. Library, Monmouth, Ill	...	1
Washington National Monument Society, Washington, D. C	1	...
Willis, Frank D	1	...
Wisconsin University	3	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	...	1
Total	310	280

RECAPITULATION.

Years	Volumes in Library	Book Borrowers	Circulation	Paid for Books	Paid for Periodicals	Paid for Salaries
1882-83	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887+	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,199.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99
1905	80,248	18,296	263,05	12,232.31	724.22	17,684.39
1906	86,198	21,513	304,626	15,098.84	1,016.84	20,082.09

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

+Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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November 17, 1908.

The Honorable the Common Council of St. Paul,

St. Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen: I herewith hand you the twenty-sixth annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library, for such action as you may deem advisable.

Respectfully,

D. W. LAWLER,

Mayor.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

Gentlemen: Herewith is submitted to your Honorable body, the twenty-sixth annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library, for the year ending December 31, 1907.

The report of the Librarian and the financial statement of the Secretary, are also presented for your consideration.

Directors William B. Dean and McNeil V. Seymour resigned, and Mr. John D. O'Brien and Mr. Robert E. Olds were appointed by the Mayor to fill vacancies for the unexpired term.

On July 3, 1907, the Mayor appointed the following directors to serve for three years: F. A. Fogg, John Rentz and Jacob Dittenhoefer.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,
President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Organized Sept. 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
W. L. KELLY, JR., Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Vincent J. Hawkins.....Term Expires July 3, 1908
John D. O'Brien.....Term Expires July 3, 1908
Elbert A. Young.....Term Expires July 3, 1908
Pierce Butler.....Term Expires July 3, 1909
Robert E. Olds.....Term Expires July 3, 1909
C. W. Ames.....Term Expires July 3, 1909
F. A. Fogg.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
John Rentz.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
Jacob Dittenhofer.....Term Expires July 3, 1910

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1907-1908.

Building—Dittenhofer, Fogg, O'Brien.
Library—Ames, Butler, Fogg.
Finance—Butler, Ames, Olds.
Administration—Fogg, Hawkins, Rentz.
By-Laws—Rentz, O'Brien, Olds.

Organized September 25, 1882.

LIBRARIAN.

Helen J. McCaine.

Jane R. Fleming, Head Cataloguer.
Julia Hess, Maud Smith, Annie Wood, Assistant Cataloguers.
Katherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.
William Spangler, Assistant in Reference Room.
Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.
Edna Brack, Accession Department.
Belle Owens, Edith M. Hall, Myra Buell, Assistants in Circulating Department.
Blanche E. McKown, Superintendent of Reading Room.
Isabel Kay, Registration Clerk.
Lucy Rahn, Typewriter.
Elizabeth G. Dennis, Superintendent of Juvenile Department.
Kate Drew, Mary Rhodes, Stella Corteau, Bertha Buehrer, Elmer Glaspie, General Assistants.
Leo Winter, Henry Meyerding, Substitutes.
Anton Salfer, Fred Koenke, Janitors.
Tena Amenson, Tilda Norsted, Cleaners.
Louis Koenke, Elevator Operator.
Richard C. Lehman, Engineer.
William Brockman, Michael Brockman, Assistant Engineers.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1st, 1907, cash balance, General Fund		$31,000.90
Tax Levy Certificates (80% of levy)	$9,600.00	
Taxes (balance of levy)	2,400.00	
Rents	23,827.22	
Fines	1,524.71	
Finding lists	24.72	
Lost cards	42.00	
Postal cards	40.09	
Lost books	52.41	
Pay books	447.95	
Sundries	679.37	
		$38,638.47
		$69,639.37

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$18,736.04	
Books and Periodicals	12,132.90	
Binding	2,478.20	
Fuel and light	4,476.32	
Fire insurance premium	2,608.40	
Furniture and repairs	2,798.16	
Printing and stationery	667.74	
Finding lists	621.75	
Distributing stations	596.58	
1906 Account	10,581.72	
Sundries	1,342.23	
	$57,040.04	
Cash balance, General Fund, Jan. 1, 1908	12,599.33	
		$69,639.37

The standing of the several funds on Jan. 1, 1908, was as follows:

Cash balance, General Fund	$12,599.33
Balance Greenleaf Clark Bldg. Fund	194.17
Greenleaf Clark securities	28,000.00

W. L. KELLY, JR.,
Secretary.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

To the Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-sixth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1907.

GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The whole number of volumes in the Library at the present time is 95,663, a net increase of 9,465 over the number reported at the close of last year. The total number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue was 11,851. Of this number 11,592 volumes were purchased; 259 were donated; 515 pamphlets were added during the year.

From the whole number of volumes added, the following items were deducted: books worn out and withdrawn from circulation 2,302: books lost and paid for 46; unable to collect from delinquent book borrowers 38. Of the books worn out and withdrawn from the shelves, 992 were English prose fiction, 1,131 were juvenile books, history 24, biography 10, foreign languages 61, and 84 in all other classes.

Among the many books added to the reference department the following are worthy of mention:

Ongania. Basilica of Saint Mark, 17 vols.; Montfauçon. Les Monumens de la Monarchie Françoise, 5 vols.; Brunet. Manuel du Libraire et Dictionnaire de Géographie, 8 vols; Anthropological Society. Publications, 51 vols.; Ethnological Society. Transactions and Journal, 13 vols.; Pfnor. Palais de Fontainebleau, 3 vols.; Penafiel. Monuments del Arte Mexicano Antiquo, 3 vols.; Uhde. Baudenkmaeler in Grossbritannien, 2 vols.; Deininger. Kunstschätze aus Tirol, 4 vols.; Letarouilly. Le Vatican, 2 vols.; Letarouilly. Edifices de Rome Moderne, 4 vols.; Jungere. Allgemeine Deutsche Biographie, 51 vols.; Poole. Catalogue of Greek Coins, 20 vols.; Archaeologia, 82 vols.; Early English Text Society Publications, 31 vols.; International Library of Technology, 81 vols.; Acosta. Naturall and Morall History of East and West Indies; Dickens and his Illustrators, 2 vols.; American Society of Civil Engineers. Proceedings and Transactions, 92 vols.; La Grande Encyclopédie, 31 vols.; Cust. Royal Collection of Paintings at Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle, 2 vols.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total Accessions of the year.	Net Accessions of the year	Total Number of Volumes in Library.
General works	131	131	1,013
Philosophy	124	116	1,435
Religion	206	206	3,898
Sociology	536	523	4,838
Philology	27	26	1,205
Natural science	148	139	3,260
Useful arts	305	297	4,027
Fine arts	326	317	2,990
Literature	642	600	8,496
History	461	437	7,058
Travels	418	411	4,919
Biography	366	356	6,597
Fiction	2,505	1,467	13,991
Juvenile literature	3,242	2,088	9,096
Foreign literature	1,184	1,122	4,219
Periodicals	1,215	1,214	13,193
Government documents and state papers	15	15	5,428
Total	11,851	9,465	95,663

GIFTS.

The gifts of books and pamphlets received by the Library during the year numbered 259 and 515 respectively.

A list of the persons and institutions to which the Library has been indebted, is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total registrations during the year was 7,653; of these 3,359 were males and 4,294 females. The whole number of cards now outstanding is 29,166. The number at the close of last year was 21,513 a gain of 7,653

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department of the Library was open 303 days during the year. The total number of books issued for home use was 328,054. These figures include the circulation from the main Library, ordering stations, fireman's libraries and the schools. An increase of 23,428 over the previous year. The daily average circulation was 1,083 volumes against the daily average of 1,013 reported last year.

The largest number of books issued on any one day was 1,637 on February 23; the smallest number 308 on July 6.

The number of notices sent to borrowers was 5,875.

The following is an account of money received for fines, etc.:

Fines	$1,660.10
Finding lists	28.32
Lost cards	59.70
Lost books	57.40
Reserve postals	52.85
Pay books	695.65
Old magazines	18.67
Total	$2,572.69

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The classification of the books for home reading, showing the number and percentage of each class is as follows:

	Volumes	Per cent.
History and biography	10,407	3.17
Voyages and travels	4,588	1.40
Language	601	.18
Literature	12,489	3.81
Sciences and arts	22,427	6.84
Religion	4,206	1.28
Miscellaneous	12,525	3.82
English prose fiction	166,809	50.84
Juvenile literature	81,410	24.82
Foreign languages	12,592	3.84
Total	328,054	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The following table shows the use of books passing through the delivery stations:

	Jan.	Feb.	Mch.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
A—Merriam Park	515	593	748	532	454	550	637	387	560	635	376	394	6,381
B—Payne Ave	904	733	776	906	507	859	542		660	545	910	716	8,058
C—West St. Paul	710	610	686	419	483	325	332	290	228	274	269	170	4,796
D—St. Anthony Park	321	334	450	316	344	273	308	295	231	304	177	228	3,581
E—Neighborhood House	1,127	764	683	469	368					1,086	1,110	956	6,563
F—University Ave	625	521	479	405	177	380	45	153	245	367	363	943	4,703
G—Mackubin St	544	655	810	688	055	464							4,216
H—East 7th St							31	159	282	257	236	297	1,262
Total	4,746	4,210	4,632	3,735	3,388	2,851	1,895	1,284	2,206	3,468	3,441	3,704	39,560

CIRCULATION RECORD OF STATIONS.

The circulation record shows that 39,560 volumes were circulated through the stations, an increase of 4,593 over last year. The largest number was circulated by station B, Payne Avenue. Station E, the Neighborhood House, West St. Paul, was closed from the first of June to the first of October. Station G, Universalist Church Reading Room, was given up the second week in July. Station F was changed the first of the year from Weiler's to Nelson's Drug Store, University Avenue. All the other stations remain the same as the previous year with the same custodians.

In April of the past year each of the twenty fire engine stations of the city, was supplied with a cabinet of 25 selected books. The result has not been encouraging as the report shows a circulation of only 195 volumes.

At the reading room of the Young Women's Christian Association 200 volumes have been deposited. Although it is not an ordering station, a circulation of 94 volumes has been reported for the month since the rooms were opened.

THE LIBRARY AND THE SCHOOLS.

The interest of the schools in the movement by the Library of sending books for their use has been highly gratifying.

Soon after the opening of the present school year, with the concurrence of School Superintendent Heeter, a library of fifty selected volumes for the grades from the fourth to the eighth, inclusive, was sent to each of the ten largest schools. The circulation for the first eight weeks was 2,732 volumes. The demand for more books from the ten schools has been so great that the original number has been doubled in several instances. Six additional schools have been supplied with libraries. This was not accomplished until just before the Christmas vacation, therefore, those books have not yet come into active use. There is an increasing demand for books for the lower grades which will be met as soon as the books can be obtained and got ready for circulation.

CLASSIFICATION AND CARD CATALOGUE.

The work of reclassifying and cataloguing the books in the Library has gone steadily on. About 8,000 volumes have been changed into the Decimal system, at the same time the current accessions have been

kept up to date. Library of Congress cards have been used whenever available. The number so used amounted to 15,860. Class List No. 3, Sociology was published during the year. The next division of the Finding List will cover the books in Language and Natural Science.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

To the children's department were added 2,088 volumes, of which about 1,000 were sent to the schools. The circulation amounted to 81,410, or, 24.82 of the whole circulation for the year.

REFERENCE ROOM.

The reference room has been open to the public 365 days during the year from 9 A. M. to 10 P. M. The record of attendance was 44,933, an increase of 14,448 over the previous year. From the stacks for use in the room 42,974 volumes were issued, as against 30,485 the year before; making an increase of 12,489 during the year. No record is kept of the use of books from the open shelves.

LIBRARY STAFF.

There have been an unusual number of changes among the regular assistants during the year. Miss Anna Smith left for a year's sojourn in Japan. Miss Anna de B. Kops, a helper of several years' standing, was removed by death from our library circle. Miss Mary Rhodes is in the South seeking recovery of health. Miss Lucy Rahn is away on leave of absence. Miss Hildegarde Rentz resigned to be married.

READING ROOM.

In the reading room 426 serials are kept on file. Of these 370 are periodicals and 56 newspapers. The attendance on week days as near as could be ascertained by actual count was 96,818. On Sundays 15,452.

BINDING.

The number of books bound at the binderies, including periodicals was 5,238. Repaired by attendants at the Library 15,065; repaired at the binderies 148.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

St. Paul, December 31, 1907.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1907.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Abbott, F. R., Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Abrahamson, Israel	2	...
American Academy of Political and Social Science	1	...
American Anti-Vivisection Society, Philadelphia, Pa	...	2
American-Irish Historical Society, Boston, Mass	1	...
American Lumberman, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Archaeological Institute of America, New York City	1	...
Atlas Portland Cement Co., New York City	3	...
Balch, Thos. W., Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Boardman, Mary	1	...
Boiton, Sarah K., Cleveland, Ohio	1	...
Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Mass	...	1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	1
British Columbia Minister of Mines, Victoria, Canada	1	...
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	1
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Butte Free Public Library, Butte, Mont	...	1
California State Library, Sacramento, Cal	...	3
Canada Department of Agriculture	1	...
Canada Interior Department	1	...
Carleton College, Northfield, Minn	1	...
Carnegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	...	2
Carnegie Free Library, Braddock, Pa	...	1
Carnegie Library, Ottawa, Canada	...	1
Carthage Public Library, Carthage, Mo	...	1
Chicago Bureau of Statistics, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago City Council, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	...	1
Chicago University, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	...	2
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	...	1
Colorado University, Denver, Col	3	...
Columbus Public School Library, Columbus, Ohio	...	1
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	...	1
Congregation B'nei Abraham	2	...
Connecticut Geological and Natural History Survey	2	...
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Daughters of the American Revolution	5	...
Dayton Public Library and Museum, Dayton, Ohio	...	1
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
District of Columbia Public Library, Washington, D. C.	...	1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	3	...
Duluth Public Library, Duluth, Minn	...	2
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Erie Public Library, Erie, Pa	...	1
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	1
Farmers' Club of Minnesota, St. Anthony Park, Minn	1	...
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Galesburg Public Library, Galesburg, Ill	...	1
Hamline University	1	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	4	1
Illinois Historical Society	2	...
Illinois University, Urbana, Ill	1	...
International Correspondence School, Scranton, Pa	1	...
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	...	1
Kansas Department of Agriculture	1	...
Lake Mohonk Conference of Friends of the Indian, Mohonk Lake, N. Y	1	...
Lange, Dietrich	1	...
Larned, Charles, Oxford, Mass	1	...
Ledyard, Lewis Cass, New York City	1	...
Lexington Public Library, Lexington, Ky	...	1
Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, Neb	...	1
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
Louisille Free Public Library, Louisville, Ky	...	1
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	...	1
Macalester College	1	...
Malden Public Library, Malden, Mass	...	1
Marvin, Frederic Rowland, Albany, N. Y	1	...
Merchants' Association of New York City	...	1
Metz, Hermann A., New York City	2	...
Michigan Board of Health	2	...
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	...
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	...	1
Minneapolis Board of Park Commissioners, Minneapolis, Minn.	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	1	3
Minnesota Board of Corrections and Charities	1	...
Minnesota Bureau of Labor	1	...
Minnesota Forestry Commission	1	...
Minnesota Historical Society	1	1
Minnesota Legislative Department	2	...
Minnesota Public Library Commission	...	1
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	1	...
Minnesota University, Minneapolis, Minn	5	...
Molee, E., Tacoma, Wash	1	...
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	3	...
New Haven Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn	...	1
New York City Executive Department	...	1
New York Farmers, New York City	1	...
New York Society Library, New York City	...	1
New York State Hospital, West Haverstraw, N. Y	...	1
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	...	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill	2	...
Oakland Free Library, Oakland, Cal	...	1
Omaha Public Library, Omaha, Neb	...	1
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Ontario, Canada	2	...
Orange Judd Co., New York City	1	...
Osaka Library, Nakanoshima, Osaka, Japan	...	1
Osborn, Louis M	1	...
Ottumwa Public Library, Ottumwa, Iowa	...	1
Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture	1	...
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	...	1
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Philadelphia Department of Public Works, Philadelphia, Pa.	13	...
Porter, E. W	1	...
Providence Athenaeum, Providence, R. I	...	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	...	1
Railway Age Co., Chicago, Ill	1	...
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	...	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St.Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
St. Paul Board of School Inspectors	2	...
St. Paul Executive Department	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
St. Paul Legislative Department	1	...
St. Paul Park Commissioners	1	...
St. Paul Playgrounds Committee	...	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash	...	1
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn	2	...
Silk Association of America, New York City	1	...
Sioux City Public Library, Sioux City, Iowa	...	1
Skorish, A. & Son	3	...
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	10	2
Society of Colonial Wars, New York City	1	...
Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, N. Y. City	1	...
Springfield Public Library, Springfield, Mass	...	1
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	...	1
Texas University, Austin, Texas	2	...
Thomas Publishing Co., New York City	1	...
Toledo Public Library, Toledo, Ohio	...	1
United States Department of Agriculture	7	405
United States Department of Commerce and Labor	23	14
United States Department of State	2	1
United States Interior Department	4	12
United States Library of Congress	50	...
United States Patent Office	3	...
United States Superintendent of Documents	5	...
United States Treasury Department	12	4
United States War Department	11	2
Unknown	7	...
Vermont University, Burlington, Vt	5	...
Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio	1	...
Wisconsin Free Library Commission	...	1
Wisconsin University, Madison, Wis	1	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	...	1
Wright, Ellen, Medford, Mass	1	...
Young, E. T	1	...
Total	259	515

PERIODICALS IN READING ROOM.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Albany Law Journal.
Ambition.
American.
American Agriculturist.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect. (International edition).
American Boy.
American Catholic Quarterly Review.
American Chemical Journal.
American Contractor.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Engineer and Railway Journal.
American Historical Review.
American Homes and Gardens.
American Inventor.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Journal of Theology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine.
American Monthly Review of Reviews.
American Naturalist.
American Photography.
American Poultry Journal.
American Statistical Association Publications of.
Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science.
Annals of The Propagation of the Faith.
Appleton's Magazine.
Architect's and Builder's Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review (American).
Architectural Review (English).
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Journal.
Asiatic Quarterly Review.
Assembly Herald.
Association Review.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Banker's Magazine.
Baumeister.
Bellman.
Berliner Architecturwelt.
Biblical World.
Billboard.
Bird Lore.
Birds and Nature Magazine.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Board of Trade Journal, Harrisburgh.
Book Review Digest.
Boys and Girls.
Bookman.
Boston Alaskan.
Bradstreets.
Brick.
Brick-Builder.
British Journal of Photography.

Brush and Pencil.
Bulletin of The Torrey Botanical Club.
Burlington Magazine.
Business Men's Magazine and Bookkeeper.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Case & Comment.
Cassell's.
Cassier's Magazine.
Catholic World.
Catholic Missions.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities and The Commons.
Chautauquan.
Chemical News.
Chicago Banker.
Chicago Magazine.
Children's Magazine.
Christian Advocate.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal.
Christian Science Sentinel.
Church Record.
Churchman.
Collier's Weekly.
Colored American.
Commercia. and Financial Chronicle.
Concrete.
Congressional Record.
Contemporary Review.
Cook's Traveler's Gazette.
Copper and Brass.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life (English.)
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Cumulative Book Index.
Current Literature.
Delineator.
Deutsche Künst and Dekoration.
Deutsche Monatscrift.
Deutsche Rundchau.
Deutsche Schule.
Deutscher Hausschatz.
Dial.
Dramatic Mirror.
Dublin Review.
Electric Magazine.
Economic Geology.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electric Railway Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Electrician and Mechanic.
Engineer.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Equity Series.
Every Other Sunday.
Everybody's Magazine.
Exponant.
Espository Times.
Farmer. (Orange Judd).
Farmer. (St. Paul).
Farm and Poultry Digest.
Farmer's Voice.
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.

Floral Life and Mayflower.
Forest and Stream.
Forestry and Irrigation.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Garden Magazine.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Gentleman's Magazine.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Glocke.
Good Government.
Good Housekeeping.
Graphic.
Granite Monthly.
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Health Culuture Magazine.
Herald of the Cross.
Hibbert Journal.
Home Needlework.
Horseless Age.
Horseshoers' Journal.
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper.
Illustrated London News.
L'Illustration.
L'Illustrazione Italiana
Immigration Restriction League.
Independent.
Indian's Friend.
Indoors and Out.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' Bulletin.
International Marine Engineering.
Iron Age.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies Historical and Political Science.
Journal of American Chemical Society.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of American Osteopathic Association.
Journal of Education.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of the Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoöphilly.
Judge.
Judicious Advertising.
Keith's Magazine.
Keramic Studio.
Kindergarten Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kladderadatsch.
Künst.
Künst Unserer Zeit.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review.
Leslie's Weekly.
Liberty.
Library Index.
Library Journal.
Life.
Life and Health.
Linnean Magazine.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Zentralblatt.
Literary Digest and Public Opinion
Literary World.
Little Friend.
Living Age.
Lodge Record.

London Quarterly Review.
McClure's Magazine.
Macmillan's Magazine.
Magazine of History With Notes and Queries.
Masters in Art.
Medical Record.
Metal Industry.
Methodist Review.
Methodist Quarterly Review.
Missionary Review of the World.
Munsey's Magazine.
Musical Courier.
Musical Leader.
Mystic Magazine.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographic Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Cathedral Bulletin.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwestern Miller
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette.
Open Court.
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing.
Outlook (American)
Outlook (English)
Overland Monthly.
Pacific Monthly.
Pacific Northwest.
Pall Mall.
Park and Cemetery and Landscape Gardening.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin Stenographer.
Petermann's Mitteilungen.
Pitman's Journal.
Poet Lore.
Polish Press.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics.
Popular Science Monthly.
Princeton Theological Review.
Printer's Ink.
Progress.
Progressive Printer.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion.
Publisher's Circular.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Putnam's Monthly and The Criti
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railway Age.
Railway Post Office.
Railway Critic.
Readers Guide to Periodical Litc ature.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
Riverside.
Royal Blue.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Review.
School Education.
School Physiology.
School Review.

Science.
Scientific American and Supplement.
Scrapbook.
Scribner's Magazine.
Sewanee Review.
Shoppell's Owners and Builders.
Signs of the Times.
Single Tax Review.
Sound.
South Atlantic Quarterly.
Spectator.
Stevens Institute Indicator.
Strand.
Studio.
Suburban Life.
Success.
System.
Technical World.
Technology Quarterly.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly.
Theosophical Quarterly.
Theosophical Review.
Tilskueren.
Twentieth Century Farmer.
Uber Land und Meer.
Unity.
Universalist Leader.
Velhagen und Klassings Monatshefte.
Voice.
Westminister Review.
Western Architect.
Western Empire.
Western Telephone Journal.
Westerner.
What's in The Magazines.
Wide World Magazines.
Woman's Journal.
Work With Boys.
World To-day.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.
Youth's Instructor.

NEWSPAPERS.

Atlanta Constitution.
Baltimore Sun.
Boston Bostoner Nachrichten.
Boston Evening Transcript.
Buffalo Commercial.
Casco Bay Breeze.
Chicago Record Herald.
Chicago Tribune.
Cincinnati Enquirer.
Cleveland Leader.
Detroit Free Press.
Duluth Evening Herald.
Duluth Posten.
Eureka Tobacco Plains Journal.
Gerard Appeal to Reason.
Kansas City Star.
Kansas City Star Times.
London Times.
Louisville Courier Journal.
Milwaukee Sentinel.
Minneapolis Echo de L'Quest.
Minneapolis Progress.
Minneapolis Tribune.
Minnetonka Record.
New Orleans Picayune.
New York Irish World.
New York Post.
New York Sun.

New York Times.
New York Tribune.
Omaha Bee.
Ortonville Big Stone County Journal.
Philadelphia Public Ledger.
Portland Morning Oregonian.
St. Louis Globe Democrat.
St. Paul Appeal.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Dispatch.
St. Paul La Courier Franco America.
St. Paul Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Volkzeitung.
St. Paul Review.
St. Paul Tidende.
St. Paul Twin City Guardian.
St. Paul Ugebladet.
Sandiego News.
San Francisco Chronicle.
Seattle Post Intelligencer.
Shakopee Tribune.
Springfield Republican.
Washington Post.
Washington Star.
West St. Paul Times.
White Bear Life.
Winnepeg Morning Telegram.

RECAPITULATION.

Year	Volumes in Library	Book Borrowers	Circulation	Paid for Books	Paid for Periodicals	Paid for Salaries
1882-83 ...	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887+	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,188.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99
1905	80,248	18,296	263.05	12,232.31	724.22	17,684.39
1906	86,198	21,513	304,626	15,098.84	1,016.84	20,082.09
1907	95,663	29,166	328,054	19,208.96	1,305.49	20,601.72

*Eight thousand and fity-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

+Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

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The Honorable the Common Council, St. Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen:—

I have the honor to hand you herewith the annual report of the Library Board of the City of St. Paul for the year 1908, for such action as to your honorable body may seem proper.

Respectfully,

D. W. LAWLER,
Mayor.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul:

Gentlemen:—

Herewith is submitted to your Honorable body, the twenty-seventh annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1908.

The report of the Librarian and the financial statement of the Secretary, are also presented for your consideration.

On June 27th, 1908, the Mayor appointed the following directors to serve for three years: John D. O'Brien, Elbert A. Young and Eugene Villaume.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,
President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.
PIERCE BUTLER, Vice President.
IRA C. OEHLER, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Pierce Butler.....Term Expires July 3, 1909
Robert E. Olds.....Term Expires July 3, 1909
C. W. Ames.....Term Expires July 3, 1909
F. A. Fogg.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
John Rentz.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
Jacob Dittenhofer.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
John D. O'Brien.....Term Expires July 3, 1911
Elbert A. Young.....Term Expires July 3, 1911
Eugene Villaume.....Term Expires July 3, 1911

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1908-1909.

Building—Dittenhofer, Fogg, O'Brien.
Library—Ames, Butler, Olds.
Finance—Butler, Ames, Villaume.
Administration—Fogg, Olds, Rentz.
By-Laws—Rentz, O'Brien, Villaume.

LIBRARY SERVICE

Helen J. McCaine, Librarian.

Annie A. Wood, Head Cataloguer.

Julia Hess, Maud Smith, A. M. McCaine, Assistant Cataloguers.

Katherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.

William Spengler, Assistant in Reference Room.

Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.

Edna M. Brack, Accession Clerk.

Belle Owens, Mary Rhodes, Kate Drew, Stella Courteau, Edith M. Hall, Myra Buell, Bertha Buehrer, General Assistants.

Elizabeth Dennis, Superintendent of Children's Room.

Blanche E. McKown, Superintendent of Reading Room.

Isabel Kay, Registration Clerk.

Leo Winter, Louise Bell, Mabel L. Abbott, Substitutes

Lucy Rahn, Helena Paulsen, Typewriters.

Anton Salfer, Janitor.

Annie Olsen, Tilda Norsted, Cleaners.

R. C. Lehmann, Engineer.

George Jergensen, Night Watchman.

E. H. Lehmann, Check Room Attendant.

A. L. Hedge, Elevator Operator

REPORT OF SECRETARY

RECEIPTS.

January 1, 1908, cash balance, General Fund..		$12,599.33
Tax levy certificates (80% of levy).....	$21,600.00	
Taxes balance 1907.....	2,400.00	
Rents of Library building.....	24,999.42	
Heat and light.....	1,300.24	
Fines	1,820.10	
Finding lists.....	27.05	
Lost cards.....	63.55	
Postal cards.....	54.10	
Lost books.....	61.75	
Pay books.....	668.75	
1907 Account.....	610.64	
		$53,605.60
		$66,204.93

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$22,043.73	
Books and Periodicals.....	12,096.35	
Binding	3,993.00	
Fuel and light.....	5,624.25	
Insurance premiums.....	4,669.96	
Furniture and Fixtures.....	3,607.17	
Repairs and alterations to building.....	7,259.31	
Printing and stationery.....	1,084.48	
Distributing stations.....	258.14	
Sundries	1,659.44	
		$62,295.83
Cash balance General Fund Dec. 31, 1908....		3,909.10
		$66,204.93

The standing of the several funds on December 31, 1908, was as follows:

Cash balance, General Fund.....	$3,909.10
Balance Greenleaf Clark Building Fund.....	177.84
Greenleaf Clark Fund securities par value..... . .	29,000.00

IRA C. OEHLER,
Secretary.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library:

Gentlemen:—

I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-seventh annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1908.

The most important feature of the work of the past year has been an extension of the Library quarters. The children's room was changed to the Wabasha street end of the building which has done away with the confusion of the children passing through the delivery room.

By using the space formerly given up to the children, the work room was enlarged and the stack room increased to the extent of shelf storage for 40,000 volumes. The new room was opened to the children July sixteenth.

This room is large, well lighted and well ventilated. New stacks six feet in height surround the room. Oak tables and chairs of varying size with pleasing pictures on the walls, make the room very attractive.

Since this new order of things there has been a noticeable improvement in the conduct of the children. A check room near the elevator is a much needed improvement.

GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The number of volumes in the Library at the present time is 103,896, a net increase of 8,233 over the number reported at the close of last year. The total number of volumes entered in the accession catalogue was 11,571. Of this number 10,936 volumes were purchased; 635 were donated: 374 pamphlets were added during the year

From the whole number of volumes added, the following items were deducted: books worn out and withdrawn from circulation 3,195; books lost and paid for 48; unable to collect from delinquent book borrowers 95. Of the books worn out and withdrawn from the shelves, 1,692 were English prose fiction, 1,257 were juvenile books, history 39, biography 14, foreign languages 48, and 145 in all other classes.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total accessions of the year	Net accessions of the year	Total number of Volumes in Library
General works	31	31	1,044
Philosophy	96	85	1,520
Religion	172	167	4,065
Sociology	308	298	5,136
Philology	44	43	1,248
Natural science	245	231	3,491
Useful arts	192	160	4,187
Fine arts	255	230	3,220
Literature	470	413	8,909
History	184	143	7,201
Travels	303	283	5,202
Biography	251	236	6,833
Fiction	2,291	547	14,538
Juvenile literature	5,225	3,916	13,012
Foreign literature	799	746	4,965
Periodicals	570	569	13,762
Government documents	135	135	5,563
Total	11,571	8,233	103,896

GIFTS.

The gifts of books and pamphlets received by the Library during the year numbered 635 and 374 respectively. The principal gift was from Dr. O. Martel, consisting of 369 volumes in the French language. Of these volumes 44 are writings of Balzac; 51 of Geo. Sand and 274 of the Dumas, father and son.

A list of persons and institutions to which the Library has been indebted the past year is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total registrations during the year was 7,007; of these 3,310 were males and 3,697 females. The whole number of cards outstanding is 36,173. The number at the close of last year was 29,166, a gain of 7,007.

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

The circulating department of the Library was open 305 days during the year. The total number of books issued for home use was 379,853. These figures include the circulation from the main Library, ordering stations, and the schools. An increase of 51,799 over the previous year.

The largest number of books issued on any one day was 2,057 on March 7; the smallest number 267 on July 17. The number of notices sent to borrowers was 7,750.

The following is an account of money received for fines, pay books, etc.:

Fines	$1,958.90
Finding lists	27.05
Lost cards	66.65
Lost books	58.30
Reserve postals	54.55
Pay books	668.75
Total	$2,834.20

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The classification of the books for home reading, showing the number and percentage of each class is as follows:

	Volumes.	Per cent.
History and biography	11,581	3.05
Voyages and travels	5,359	1.41
Language	866	.23
Literature	14,895	3.92
Science and arts	24,505	6.45
Religion	4,142	1.09
Miscellaneous	11,680	3.07
English prose fiction	182,885	48.15
Juvenile literature	106,730	28.10
Foreign languages	17,210	4.53
Total	379,853	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Two new delivery stations were opened the past year. Station J.—McArdell's bakery, Grand avenue, and station K.—Hall's Millinery store, Hamline. The other stations remain the same as the previous year.

The circulation record shows that 59,584 volumes were circulated through the stations. The largest number was circulated by station B.—Payne avenue, the next largest by station F.—University avenue.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The following table shows the use of books passing through thedelivery station.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mch.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
A—Merriam Park.....	663	824	576	431	243	390	264	507	421	463	495	511	5,788
B—Payne Ave.....	1,407	616	1,968	1,097	1,044	1,215	1,069	931	619	1,026	872	848	12,712
C—West St. Paul.....	220	217	385	281	273	206	304	283	226	274	324	268	3,261
D—St. Anthony Park.....	275	326	271	144	260	240	443	713	261	251	190	137	3,511
E—Neighborhood House.	1,486	1,066	1,271	855	445					1,058	924	1,296	8,401
F—University Ave.....	1,228	1,082	905	935	1,382	750	965	869	714	690	777	816	11,113
H—East 7th St.....	621	508	604	553	671	464	681	471	513	697	496	429	6,708
I—Y. W. C. A.....	196	167	126	122	99	89	137	81	57	57	37		1,168
J—Macalester Park.....				291	386	399	318	317	281	356	401	297	3,046
K—Hamline						345	562	603	511	580	657	618	3,876
Total	6,096	4,806	6,106	4,709	4,803	4,098	4,743	4,775	3,603	5,452	5,173	5,220	59,584
Schools			5,261			6,422							21,683
Vacation schools.....							290						290
Playgrounds									311				311
Total	6,096	4,806	11,367	4,709	4,803	20,520	5,033	4,775	3,914	5,452	5,173	5,220	81,868

THE LIBRARY AND THE SCHOOLS.

The work with the schools has increased in extent and efficiency during the year. In September, the beginning of the school year, 3,500 volumes were added to the collection for school use making in all 5,050 volumes.

The number circulated so far as can be reported is 21,683. This number does not include the circulation since September. Miss Elizabeth G. Dennis in charge of the work makes the following report:

"It is impossible to make a satisfactory report of the work with the schools for the year ending December, 1908. The school year really begins in September and ends in June. There has already been a report of the work from Oct., 1907 to June, 1908. At that time there were 1,500 books in the school collection and twenty schools on the list.

During October, 1908 3,550 volumes were added making a total collection of 5,050 of which 5,000 are in circulation. Thirty-one graded schools and one high school are now supplied, and at present there are 100 books in the boys' department of the Y. M. C. A.

The books have not been transferred this year. About the 1st of Feb., 1909 the schools will be visited, the books examined and shifted and the home circulation from Sept., 1908 to Feb., 1909 recorded. In June, 1909, we shall be able to make a full report of the school year."

VACATION SCHOOLS AND SUMMER PLAYGROUNDS.

This year 450 books were sent to four vacation schools. These books were in circulation from July 13th to July 31st. About half were for the little children and were used only in the rooms. The home circulation was 290. No record was made of classroom use.

The Arlington Hills and Como playgrounds were supplied with 200 books from July 14th to Aug. 28th. Circulation 311.

CLASSIFICATION AND CARD CATALOGUE.

Miss Annie A. Wood, head of this department reports as follows:

The work of classification and cataloguing of new books has been, as for some years past, accompanied by that of the re-classification and re-cataloguing of the books still remaining under the old system.

About 25,000 catalogue cards have been written for the official catalogue, copied on the typewriter for the catalogue in the reference room, and duplicated in Library of Congress cards as far as possible for the catalogue in the delivery room.

The printed cards cannot be obtained for all the books, although they are available for the great majority of those in the Library; for the remainder, typewritten cards, uniform in size, are substituted. Cards to the number of 25,245 have been received from the Library of Congress, at a cost of $149.19.

Two new catalogue cases have been placed in the reference room. Two new cases have also been purchased for the children's room, and Library of Congress cards are being substituted for the typewritten cards previously used for the catalogue in that room.

The material for Class-list No. 4, covering the classes of philology and natural science has been prepared and is in the printer's hands, and will be issued some time in March. The time for completion depends upon the printer as all the copy is practically done.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

The children's room has been open for circulation of books 296 days. On account of moving into the new room no books were given out for nine days in July. The number of volumes in this department including books sent to the schools numbers 13,012.

The circulation from the main library was 66,750; stations 17,696; schools 21,683; playgrounds 311 and 290 from the vacation schools, making a total of 106,730 volumes.

REFERENCE ROOM.

The reference room continues to be a favorite place for seekers of information. A few inquiries of one day will illustrate the range of questions asked, and subjects pursued. Etiquette of the dark ages; Something about snakes in Ireland; The X cure in time of Henry II; Indian name for a village; The foundation for making Krupp steel armor plates; Jim's last ride, a poem, author unknown.

The number of visitors to the reference room, including Sundays, was 81,364; 44,605 volumes were taken from the circulating collection for consultation in the reference room.

READING ROOM.

In the reading room 500 serials are kept on file. Of these 441 are periodicals and 59 newspapers. The attendance on week days as near as could be obtained by actual count was 113,708. On Sundays 15,715.

BINDING.

The number of miscellaneous books bound at the binderies was 6,684; periodicals 640. Repaired by attendants at the Library 12,585; repaired at the binderies 463. Periodicals bound to circulate 1,246.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

St. Paul, December 31, 1908

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1908.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Adams, I. W.	1	...
Allaben, Frank, New York City	1	...
American-Irish Historical Society, Boston, Mass	1	...
Balch, E. S.	1	...
Baltimore Sun, The, Baltimore, Md	1	...
Bankers' Magazine, New York City	1	...
Battersea Public Library, London, Eng	...	1
Bibliographical Society of America, New York City	1	...
Boston Chamber of Commerce, Boston, Mass	1	...
Boston Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Mass	1	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	1
Boston Schoolhouse Department, Boston, Mass	1	...
Brayton, L. F., Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Bridgeport Public Library, Bridgeport, Conn	...	1
British Columbia Minister of Mines, Victoria, Can	1	...
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Canada Census and Statistics Office	1	...
Canada Interior Department	1	...
Cariveau, Robert	1	...
Carnegie Free Library, Braddock, Pa	...	1
Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa	1	...
Carnegie Public Library, Pittsburgh, Pa	...	1
Chicago City Council, Chicago, Ill	2	...
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway	2	...
Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland, Ohio	...	1
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	...	1
Cox. William S	1	...
Dallas Public Library, Dallas, Texas	...	1
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...
Dayton Public Library and Museum, Dayton, Ohio	...	1
Deborah Cook Sayles Public Library, Pawtucket, R. I	...	1
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
District of Columbia Public Library, Washington, D. C.	...	1
Dunlop, E. F., Boston, Mass	1	...
Emmet, T. A., New York City	1	...
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	1
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass	...	1
Fort Wayne Board of Public Works, Fort Wayne, Ind	1	...
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Galesburg Public Library, Galesburg, Ill	...	1
Hall, Granville D., Glencoe, Ill	1	...
Hamline Woman's Christian Temperance Union	1	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	2	...
Hazard, George H	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Home Protection Publishing Co., New York City.....	1	...
Illinois Historical Society.....	2	...
International Correspondence School, Scranton, Pa....	1	...
Iowa Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends	1	...
Isthmian Canal Commission, Ancon, Canal Zone.....	1	...
Jerome, Clinton.....	1	...
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill.....	...	1
Kansas State Board of Agriculture.....	2	...
Kellogg, Clara N.....	1	...
Kellogg Public Library, Green Bay, Wis.....	...	1
Lambert, Anna M.....	1	...
Langford, N. P.....	2	...
Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, Lawrence, Mass.....	1	...
Lexington Public Library, Lexington, Ky.....	...	1
Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles, Cal..	2	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal.....	...	1
Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Ky.....	...	1
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass.....	...	1
Malden Public Library, Malden, Mass.....	...	1
Mankato Free Public Library, Mankato, Minn.....	...	1
Martel, Dr. Ovide.....	369	...
Melick, C. W., College Park, Md.....	1	...
Merchants' Association of New York City.....	1	...
Michigan Board of Health.....	1	...
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis.....	1	...
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis.....	...	1
Minneapolis Board of Park Commissioners, Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Minnesota Department of Insurance.....	2	...
Minnesota Forestry Commission.....	1	...
Minnesota Historical Society.....	1	...
Minnesota Soldiers' Home.....	2	...
Minnesota University, Minneapolis, Minn.....	2	...
Missouri Historical Society.....	1	...
Munn, Mrs. M. D.....	31	...
Murdock, E. C.....	1	...
National Association of Manufacturers, New York City.	1	...
National Civic Federation, New York City.....	1	...
Needlework Guild of America, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1	...
New Haven Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn...	...	1
New York Farmers, New York City.....	1	...
New York Public Library, New York City.....	3	...
New York Society Library, New York City.....	...	1
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J.....	...	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass.....	...	1
Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill.....	1	...
Oakland Free Library, Oakland, Cal.....	...	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Ontario, Can	1	...
Oregon Journal, Portland, Ore	1	...
Osaka Library, Nankanoshima, Osaka, Japan	...	1
Ottumwa Public Library, Ottumwa, Iowa	...	1
Peaslee, John B., Cincinnati, Ohio	1	...
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	...	1
Peterboro Public Library, Peterboro, N. H	...	1
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I	...	1
Queen's Borough Public Library, New York City	...	1
Raymond, G. L	3	...
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	...	1
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo.	...	1
St. Paul Associated Charities	1	...
St. Paul Board of Park Commissioners	1	...
St. Paul Chamber of Commerce	2	...
St. Paul Playgrounds Committee	...	1
St. Paul Seminary	...	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash	...	1
Silk Association of America, New York City	1	...
Simpkin, Marshall & Co., London, Eng	1	...
Sioux City Public Library, Sioux City, Iowa	...	1
Skorish, K. & Son	7	...
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	11	...
Springfield Public Library, Springfield, Mass	...	1
Stamm, Dr. Gustav J	20	...
Stroup, Rev. N. W., Cleveland, Ohio	1	...
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	...	1
Thompson, F. J., Fargo, N. Dak	2	...
Toledo Public Library, Toledo, Ohio	...	1
United States Brewers' Association, New York City	...	1
United States Department of Agriculture	25	300
United States Department of Commerce and Labor	7	18
United States Department of State	9	...
United States Interior Department	13	2
United States Library of Congress	4	...
United States National Prison Association	13	...
United States Navy Department	5	...
United States Patent Office	14	...
United States Treasury Department	3	...
United States War Department	12	...
Unknown	1	...
Waddell, William, St. Louis, Mo	1	...
Wilson, G. L.	5	...
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	...	1
Yale University New Haven, Conn	1	...
Total	635	374

PERIODICALS FOR THE YEAR 1908.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Ambition.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian.
American Architect (International edition).
American Boy.
American Catholic Quarterly Review.
American Chemical Journal.
American Contractor.
American Economic Association Publications.
American Engineer and Railway Journal.
American Historical Review.
American Homes and Gardens.
American Inventor.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Numismatics.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Journal of Theology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine.
American Naturalist.
American Photography.
American Political Science Review.
American Poultry Journal.
American Review of Reviews.
American Statistical Association Publications.
Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science.
Annals of the Propagation of the Faith.
Appleton's Magazine.
Architect's and Builder's Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review (American.)
Architectural Review (English.)
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Journal.
Asiatic Quarterly Review.
Assembly Herald.
Association Review.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Banker's Magazine.
Der Baumeister.
Bellman.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Billboard.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Bookkeeper.
Book Review Digest.
Bookman.
Botanical Gazette.
Bradstreet's.
Brick.
Brick-builder.
British Journal of Photography.
Bulletin of the Torrey Botanical Club.
Burlington Magazine.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Case and Comment.
Cassell's.
Cassier's Magazine.
Catholic Missions.
Catholic World.
Century.
Chambers's Journal.
Charities and The Commons.
Chautauquan.
Chemical Engineer.
Chemical News.
Chicago Banker.
Children's Magazine.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal.
Christian Science Sentinel.
Church Record.
Churchman.
Cold Storage and Ice Trade Journal.
Collier's Weekly.
Colored American.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Concrete.

Congressional Resord.
Conservation.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill Magazine.
Cook's Traveler's Gazette.
Copper and Brass.
Correct English.
Cosmopolitan.
Country Life (English.)
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Crusader.
Cumulative Book Index.
Current Literature.
Dakotah.
Delineator.
Designer.
Deutsche Kunst und Dekoration.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Deutscher Hausschatz.
Dial.
Dramatic Mirror.
Dublin Review.
Economic Geology.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electric Railway Journal.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World and Engineer.
Electrician and Mechanic.
Elementary School Teacher.
Elite Styles.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanics and World of Science.
Equity Series.
Etude.
Every Other Sunday.
Everybody's Magazine.
Exponant.
Expositor.
Expository Times.
Farm and Poultry Digest.
Farmer (Orange Judd.)
Farmer (St. Paul.)
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.
Floral Life.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Garden Magazine.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Glocke.
Good Government.
Good Housekeeping.
Graphic.
Granite Monthly.
Gregg Writer.
Green Bag.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Harvard Theological Quarterly.
Health Culture Magazine.
Herald of the Cross.
Hibbert Journal.
Home Needlework.
Homiletic Review.
Horseless Age.
Horseshoer's Journal.
House Beautiful.
House and Garden.
Housekeeper.
Illustration.
Illustrazione Italiana.
Immigration Restriction League Publications.
Independent.
Indian's Friend.
Inland Architect.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Marine Engineering.
Inter State Cotton Seed Crusher's Bulletin.
Iron Age.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science.
Journal of American Chemical Society.
Journal of American Folk Lore
Journal of American History.

Journal of American Osteopathic Association.
Journal of Education.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Geology.
Journal of Modern Construction.
Journal of Political Economy.
Journal of The Royal Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoöphilly.
Judge.
Judicious Advertising.
Keith's Magazine.
Keramic Studio.
Kindergarten Primary Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kladderadatsch.
Kunst.
Kunst Unseruer Zeit.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review.
Leslie's Weekly.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Zentralblatt.
Literary Digest and Public Opinion.
Literary World.
Living Age.
Lodge Record.
London News.
London Quarterly Review.
McClure's Magazine.
Magazine of History With Notes and Queries.
Manual Training Magazine.
Masters in Art.
Maxwell's Talisman.
Medical Record.
Metal Industry.
Methodist Review. (Bi. Mo.)
Methodist Review. (Quar.)
Metropolitan.
Minnesota Forester.
Missionary Review of the World.
Motor.
Munsey's Magazine.
Musical Courier.
Musical Leader.
Mystic Magazine.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Geographic Magazine.
National Guard Review.
National Review.
Nature.
New Cathedral Bulletin.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Geneological Register.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century.
North American Review.
Northwestern Christian Advovate.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Review.
Official Gazette.
Open Court.
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing.
Outlook. (American.)
Outlook (English.)
Overland Monthly.
Pacific Monthly.
Pall Mall.
Park and Cemetery and Landscape Gardening.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin Stenographer.
Petermann's Mitteilungen.
Pitman's Journal.
Poet Lore.
Polish Press.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics.
Popular Science Monthly.
Power.
Princeton Theological Review.
Printer's Ink.
Progressive Printer.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion.
Publisher's Circular.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Putnam's Monthly and The Critic.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railroad Age Gazette.
Railway Post Office.
Razoo.
Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature.
Real Estate News.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
Riverside.

Royal Blue.
School Education.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Evening Post.
Saturday Review.
School Arts Book.
School Physiology.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific American and Supplement.
Scrapbook.
Scribner's Magazine.
Sewanee Review.
Shoppell's Owners and Builders.
Signs of the Times.
Single Tax Review.
South Atlantic Quarterly.
Spectator.
Stevens Institute Indicator.
Strand.
Studio.
Suburban Life.
Success.
System.
Technical World.
Technology Quarterly.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly.
Theosophical Quarterly.
Tilskuren.
Trained Nurse.
Ueber Land und Meer.
Union Signal.
Unity.
Velhagen und Klasings Monatshefte.
Western Architect.
Western Telephone Journal.
Western Underwriter.
Westerner.
Westminister Review.
What to Eat.
Wide World Magazine.
Woman's Journal.
Work with Boys.
World Today.
World's Chronicle.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

RECAPITULATION.

Year	Volumes in Library	Book Borrowers	Circulation	Paid for Books	Paid for Periodicals	Paid for Salaries
1882-83 ...	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887+	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,188.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99
1905	80,248	18,296	263.05	12,232.31	724.22	17,684.39
1906	86,198	21,513	304,626	15,098.84	1,016.84	20,082.09
1907	95,663	29,166	328,054	19,208.96	1,305.49	20,601.72
1908	103,896	36,173	379,853	11,969.02	127.33	22,120.91

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

+Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1

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To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of Saint Paul:

Gentlemen: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-eighth annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1909.

The report of the Librarian and the financial statement of the Secretary are also presented for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG,

President.

ST. PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY

ORGANIZED SEPT. 25, 1882.

OFFICERS.

ELBERT A. YOUNG, President.

ROBERT E. OLDS, Vice President.

IRA C. OEHLER, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

F. A. Fogg.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
John Rentz.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
Jacob Dittenhofer.....Term Expires July 3, 1910
John D. O'Brien.....Term Expires July 3, 1911
Elbert A. Young.....Term Expires July 3, 1911
Eugene Villaume.....Term Expires July 3, 1911
E. W. Buckley.....Term Expires July 3, 1912
Robert E. Olds.....Term Expires July 3, 1912
C. W. Ames.....Term Expires July 3, 1912

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1909-1910.

Building—Dittenhofer, Fogg, O'Brien.

Library—Ames, Buckley, Olds.

Finance—Villaume, Ames, Buckley.

Administration—Fogg, Olds, Rentz.

By-Laws—Rentz, O'Brien, Villaume.

LIBRARY SERVICE

Helen J. McCaine, Librarian.

Annie A. Wood, Head Cataloguer.

Julia Hess, Maud Smith, Edna Brack, Josephine Mann, Assistant Cataloguers.

Katherine M. Beals, Superintendent of Reference Room.

Joseph Barta, Assistant in Reference Room.

Elizabeth W. Clute, Superintendent of Circulation.

Isabel Kay, Accession Clerk.

Belle Owens, Mary Rhodes, Kate Drew, Stella Courteau, Edith M. Hall, Myra Buell, Bertha Buehrer, Louise Bell, General Assistants.

Elizabeth Dennis, Superintendent of Children's Room.

Mabel L. Abbott, Assistant in Children's Room.

Blanche E. McKown, Superintendent of Reading Room.

Grace Kay, Registration Clerk.

Joseph V. Fuller, Adelaide Apfeld, Substitutes.

Lucy Rahn, Helena Paulsen, Typewriters.

Anton Salfer, Janitor.

John Godfrey, Tilda Norsted, Cleaners.

R. C. Lehmann, Supt. of Building.

M. Reen, Night Watchman.

E. H. Lehmann, Check Room Attendant.

A. L. Hedge, Elevator Operator.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

To the Board of Directors of the Saint Paul Public Library:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-eighth annual report of the Secretary of your Board, for the year ending December 31, 1909.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1, 1909, cash balance General Fund	$3,909.10
1908 account	138.80
Tax Levy Certificates 1909 (80% of levy)	26,400.00
Receipts 1908 taxes	5,400.00
Rents from Library Building, heat and water	27,070.15
Fines	1,964.54
Finding Lists	21.75
Lost Cards	71.35
Postal Cards	54.14
Lost Books	72.88
Pay Books	646.35
Return premium on insurance	137.20
Total	$65,886.26

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$22,927.32
Books and Periodicals	8,837.84
Binding	5,162.05
Finding List	501.59
Fuel	2,524.09
Electric Light and Power	3,815.08
Fire insurance premiums	2,937.86
Furniture and fixtures	568.83
Printing and stationery	860.07
Repair to building	625.85
Distributing Stations	394.91

Water supply	233.25
Sundries	1,357.33
Total	$50,746.07
Cash balance General Fund, Jan. 1, 1910	15,140.19
	$65,886.26

The standing of the several funds on Jan. 1, 1910, was as follows:

Cash balance General Fund	$15,140.19
Balance Greenleaf Clark Building Fund	71.99
Securities Greenleaf Clark Building Fund, par value	30,200.00

Very respectfully,

IRA C. OEHLER,
Secretary.

Dated Saint Paul, Minn., February 26, 1910.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

To the Board of Directors of the Public Library:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-eighth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1909. Following the order of previous reports the statistics of the different departments of the Library are given below:

GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The present number of volumes in the Library is 110,277, a net increase of 6,381 volumes during the year. There were bought 2,768 less volumes than the preceding year. The whole number of accessions was 8,829 volumes; of these 8,168 were purchased and 661 donated.

From the whole number of volumes added 2,312 were withdrawn from circulation on account of mutilation or being worn out. Of the volumes withdrawn 1,098 were English prose fiction, 1,106 juvenile books, literature 23, fine arts 13 and 72 in all other classes. Unable to collect from delinquent book borrowers 75 volumes; 61 lost and paid for.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total accessions of the year.	Net accessions of the year.	Total number of Volumes in Library.
General works	32	32	1,076
Philosophy	67	64	1,584
Religion	94	90	4,155
Sociology	290	286	5,422
Philology	12	11	1,259
Natural science	99	93	3,584
Useful arts	176	164	4,351
Fine arts	210	193	3,413
Literature	278	252	9,161
History	182	169	7,370
Travels	180	173	5,375
Biography	253	249	7,082
Fiction	2,136	963	15,501
Juvenile literature	3,687	2,555	15,567
Foreign literature	141	98	5,063
Periodicals	548	545	14,307
Government documents and state papers	444	444	6,007
	8,829	6,381	110,277

GIFTS.

The gifts of books and pamphlets received by the Library during the year numbered 661 and 568, respectively. A list of persons and institutions to which the Library has been indebted the past year is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

The total number of registrations during the year was 5,867; of these 2,829 were males and 3,038 females. The whole number of cards outstanding is 42,040. The number at the close of last year was 36,173, a gain of 5,867.

Since January 1, 1905, cards have been issued for five years instead of two as heretofore. It will be necessary to begin January 1, 1910, to cancel and renew the five-year cards, the time for which they were issued having expired.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The Library has been open for the circulation of books 301 days. The total circulation for home use was 409,028 volumes, a gain of 29,175 over the number reported last year. These figures include the circulation from the main Library, ordering stations, and the schools.

While the circulation from the main Library has been less than the previous year the stations show an increased use of 4,150 volumes and the schools 46,755 volumes. The largest number of books issued on any one day was 2,118 on February 20; the smallest number 336 on June 26.

The following is an account of money received for fines, pay books, etc.:

Fines	$2,033.10
Finding lists	23.05
Lost cards	78.65
Lost books	79.43
Reserve postals	58.04
Pay books	694.90
Total	$2,967.17

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

Classification of the books for home reading showing the number and percentage of each class is as follows:

	Volumes.	Per cent.
History and biography	10,130	2.48
Voyages and travels	4,919	1.20
Language	703	.17
Literature	12,734	3.11
Science and arts	23,149	5.65
Religion	3,787	.93
Miscellaneous	10,123	2.48
English prose fiction	180,844	44.21
Juvenile literature	79,647	19.47
Foreign languages	14,037	3.43
Schools and firemen's libraries	68,955	16.85
Total	409,028	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The delivery stations remain in the same places as last year. The record shows that 63,217 volumes were circulated through the stations, a gain of 3,633 volumes over the previous year. Station F, University avenue, circulated the largest number; the next largest was by stations K and B, Hamline and Payne avenues, respectively.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The following table shows the use of books passing through the delivery stations:

	Jan.	Feb.	Mch.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
A—Merriam Park.....	618	443	634	410	328	222	278	300	290	312	332	317	4,384
B—Payne Avenue.....	1,265	810	1,263	1,182	987	893	833	752	724	715	793	652	10,869
C—West St. Paul.....	230	280	418	272	204	204	226	225	189	219	212	175	2,854
D—St. Anthony Park....	250	290	292	248	191	195	182	....	384	64	....	432	2,528
E—Neighborhood House.	1,341	1,038	1,118	901	386	....	....	....	....	1,004	1,220	1,096	8,104
F—University Ave.....	961	897	1,139	1,082	1,089	974	1,009	1,085	1,122	1,005	989	813	12,165
H—East Seventh St.....	499	427	464	473	500	....	1,185	420	467	439	402	411	5,687
I—Y. W. C. A.....	73	31	38	26	10	11	18	15	19	17	12	9	279
J—Macalester	373	471	547	516	470	425	407	424	496	529	487	297	5,442
K—Hamline	822	1,054	918	1,089	768	869	797	867	1,004	1,017	859	841	10,905
Total	6,432	5,741	6,831	6,199	4,933	3,793	4,935	4,088	4,695	5,321	5,306	4,943	63,217

CLASSIFICATION AND CARD CATALOGUE.

Miss Annie A. Wood, head of this department, reports as follows:

The work of classification and cataloguing of new books has been, as for some years past, accompanied by that of the re-classification and re-cataloguing of the books still remaining under the old system.

About 32,000 catalogue cards have been written for the official catalogue, copied on the typewriter for the catalogue in the reference room, and duplicated in Library of Congress cards as far as possible for the catalogue in the delivery room. Printed cards cannot be obtained for all the books, although they are available for the great majority of those in the Library; for the remainder typewritten cards uniform in size, are substituted.

Cards to the number of 19,546 have been received from the Library of Congress ,at a cost of $175.96. For some years this Library has subscribed to the proof sheets of the catalogue cards issued by the Library of Congress, and by a recent purchase of the first years of that issue the Library will soon be in possession of a complete file of the Catalogue of the Library of Congress, extremely useful for bibliographical and other purposes. Two new cases will be needed to hold these cards, of which one is already in place.

During the year Class-list No. 4, covering the classes of Philology and Natural Science, has been printed, and the next one, of the Useful Arts, will soon be ready for the printer. In compliance with the urgent requests the compilation of bulletins, consisting of selected lists of books on special topics, has been undertaken. Three have already been issued, namely:—Gardens and Gardening; Fungi and Mushrooms; Astronomy. Birds and Insects will be ready the first of January.

THE LIBRARY AND THE SCHOOLS.

Miss Elizabeth Dennis, in charge of the work, makes the following report:

The number of volumes in the school duplicate collection at the end of last year was 5,050. The total home circulation through the schools was 55,352. These figures do not include the use of books in class rooms. which was very large.

During the year were added the Baker, Dean, McClellan, Maxfield, Neill and Whittier schools, making in all 37 schools and the Boys' Department of the Y. M. C. A. The schools were each visited four times.

The principals in many of the schools have asked for new books, especially for the lower grades. There are now 1,100 new volumes ready for circulation, which will make a total of 6,150 for next year. The new books will be sent to the schools early in January.

VACATION SCHOOLS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

For the month of July 800 books were sent to eight vacation schools. The home circulation was 417. The books were mostly used in class rooms, of which we have no record. The Arlington Hills and Como playgrounds were supplied with 250 books. Circulation 1,250.

The vacation schools and playgrounds follow hard upon the closing of the school year. The books at that time need many repairs, and it is impossible to make the right selection for summer use. But the schools are in session only four week and the home circulation is small. It is the playgrounds that present the serious difficulties. The City is to extend the playground work the coming summer and more books will be required. The playgrounds open in June and do not close until the first of November, but it has always been necessary to limit their time to the first of September in order to get the books again ready for opening of the schools.

Trying to make the same lending collection serve both schools and playgrounds hampers the work. To efficiently equip the playgrounds a separate collection of about 800 books is needed.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

It is the aim of the heads of this department to make the room inviting to the children and to guide them in the choice of books as far as they are willing to be helped. The room has been open 301 days and the circulation 79,647 volumes.

THE STORY HOUR.

Lack of space heretofore has rendered story-telling at the Library impracticable, but last winter the room adjoining the new Children's Department offered the long desired opportunity for the establishment of the regular story hour.

The first story was told Saturday afternoon, January 23rd, to an overflowing audience. It was proposed to tell stories weekly until April 1st, but at that date the attendance was so large that the work was continued through June. Myths, legends, hero stories, ballads and fairy tales formed the subject matter of these stories, which served to introduce the children to the best in literature, including both prose and poetry. No story was told without the end in view of guiding the children to the pleasure of reading, and it was arranged that after each story hour the children could find the same stories in books which became more popular through this means.

The number of children reached by the Library was large and varied. The total attendance was 2,413—an average of 104 weekly, the children ranging from eight to twelve, with a majority of boys. It was noticed at these meetings that many of the visitors were non-card holders, and that the same children appeared week after week. From the first, good order prevailed, but as time passed interest and power of attention increased, and an intimate and personal relation was established between children and story-teller that obviated the necessity of discipline.

REFERENCE ROOM.

The Reference Department has been open every day in the year. The number of visitors on week days was 38,324; Sundays 2,578. The more important work of this department has been highly gratifying, and the increasing number of men pursuing investigations of prominent subjects of the day has been noticeable.

Among the works especially in demand are books on steel construction and other mechanical subjects. Students of civil service examinations have been numerous. There has been so much call for books on political economy that it was found necessary to permanently supply the reference room with the leading works on that subject.

The patronage from out of the city has been large. Fargo, Ames, Iowa, and Minneapolis High School, as well as the State University, have sent their debating teams here for work.

READING ROOM.

The total number of periodicals and newspapers on file in the Reading Room is 461; of the periodicals 347 are by subscription and 55 gifts; of the 59 newspapers 40 are supplied by the Library and 19 are gifts. The attendance on week days, as far as could be obtained by actual count, was 114,667; on Sundays 19,242.

BINDING.

The whole number of books bound at the binderies was 9,167; of these 8,144 were miscellaneous books and 1,023 magazines. Magazines to the number of 1,260 were bound in stiff covers for circulation. Repaired at the binderies 155; repaired at the Library 10,197 volumes.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,

Librarian.

St. Paul, December 31, 1909.

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND

DETAIL OF DISBURSEMENTS.

JANUARY, 1909.

Warrant No.

2948—Otto Bremer, City Treasurer, payroll for month of December, 1908	$1,882.58
2949—Frank Alverdes Co., binding books and magazines, December, 1908	372.90
2950—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazines, Dec., 1908	147.30
2951—N. W. Fuel Co., fuel, Nov., Dec., 1908	632.68
2952—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current for month of December, 1908	420.37
2953—Robert Appleton Co., Vol. 4, The Catholic Encyclopedia, Nov. 1908	8.00
2954—Boston Book Co., books, Nov. 21, 1908	60.00
2955—Lemcke & Buechner, books, Oct. 30, Dec. 1, 1908	8.93
2956—The American Law Book Co., Vol. 30, Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure, Dec. 31, 1908	6.00
2957—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Nov. 30 to Dec. 10, 1908	1,498.39
2958—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, Dec. 1908	13.80
2959—E. W. Porter, books, Dec. 1908	25.71
2960—Randall Printing Co., index cards, labels, etc., Dec. 31, 1908	24.00
2961—Library Bureau, binders, cards, etc., Nov. 21, Dec. 17, 1908	46.75
2962—Library of Congress, catalogue cards, Sept. to Nov. 1908	43.47
2963—Ware-Hospes Co., insurance premium, Jan. 1909	72.00
2964—Leibrock & Day, insurance premium, Jan. 1909	72.00
2965—Hughson & Whitaker, insurance premium, Jan. 1909	216.00
2966—St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Co., insurance premium, Jan. 1908	222.90
2967—Jones & Dunn, insurance premium	192.00

2968—Joseph A. Rogers, insurance premium, Jan. 1909.....	312.00
2969—L. I. Casserly, insurance premium, Jan. 1909.....	72.00
2970—Germania Fire Ins. Co., insurance premium, Jan. 1909..	144.00
2971—D. D. Smith, insurance premium, Dec. 1908.....	144.00
2972—F. J. Romer Construction Co., drawer case, Nov. 30, '08	135.00
2973—De Coster & Clark Co., chairs, Dec. 7, 1908.....	12.00
2974—Board of Water Commr's, water for month of Dec. 1908	19.95
2975—F. G. Leslie Co., toilet case, Nov. 30, 1908.....	6.50
2976—Robinson & Cary Co., hardware sundries, Oct. 20 to Dec. 19, 1908	18.74
2977—Thomas Finn, plumbing repairs, June 15 to Nov. 24, 1908	12.30
2978—N. W. Electric Equipment Co., electrical sundries, Dec. 9, 1908	8.35
2979—A. Marzolf & Co., plumbing repairs and supplies, Aug. 2 to Nov. 24, 1908.....	15.45
2980—N. W. Telephone Exchange Co., exchange service for Dec. 1908	2.50
2981—American District Telegraph Co., night-watch service, Nov. and Dec., 1908.....	9.00
2982—Tri-State Telephone Co., service for December, 1908....	5.00
2983—Peoples Express & Storage Co., drayage, Oct. 8 to Nov. 25, 1908	5.65
2984—C. J. Behr, hauling ashes for Dec. 1908.....	15.00
2985—John W. Nelson, circulating 777 vols. in November, 1908	7.77
2986—Victor E. Sundberg, circulating 872 vols. in November, 1908	8.72
2987—Clara N. Kellogg, circulating 924 vols. in November, 1908, December, 1908	9.24
Total for month of January, 1909.....	$6,941.91

FEBRUARY, 1909.

2988—Otto Bremer, City Treasurer, payroll for month of January, 1909	$1,979.42
2989—Frank Alverdes Co., binding miscellaneous library books	362.90
2990—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Jan. 1 to 22, 1909	555.04
2991—The Johns Hopkins Press, Vol. 26, Studies in History and Political Science, Dec. 3, 1908.....	1.93

2992—The National Educational, membership dues, July 1, 1908, to June 30, 1909 ..... 2.00

2993—Chas. Scribner's Sons, books, Jan. 28, 1909 ..... 3.00

2994—E. W. Porter, books, Jan. 13, 1909 ..... 58.12

2995—Francis Edwards, copy of Proceedings of the Society for Psychical Research, Nov. 21, 1908 ..... 3.17

2996—Boston Book Co., magazines, Jan. 1909 ..... 24.50

2997—N. W. Fuel Co., coal furnished during month of Jan. 1909 491.13

2998—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current for month of January, 1908 ..... 455.67

2999—James Tracy, insurance premium, Jan. 4, 1909 ..... 125.25

3000—Moritz & Powers, insurance premium, Jan. 3, 1909 ..... 120.00

3001—William S. Gilliam, insurance premium, Jan. 2, 1909 ..... 120.00

3002—Weed, Parker & Co., insurance premium, Jan. 3, 1909 ..... 432.00

3003—John W. Nelson, circulating 816 vols. in December, 1908 8.16

3004—V. C. Sundberg, circulating 848 vols. in Dec. 1908, 1,265 in Jan. 1909 ..... 21.13

3005—Dayton Dry Goods Co., picture, Dec. 30, 1908 ..... 12.50

3006—Randall Printing Co., postals, blank forms, scratch paper, etc., January, 1909 ..... 66.00

3007—Western Union Tel. Co., time service, January, February and March, 1909 ..... 3.00

3008—American District Telegraph Company, night watch service, Jan. 1909 ..... 4.50

3009—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service for month of Dec. 1908, and Jan. 1909 ..... 5.00

3010—Board of Water Commr's, water for month of Jan., 1909 19.05

3011—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., service for January, 1909 ..... 5.00

3012—Pioneer Press Co., accession record, Dec., 1908 ..... 15.00

3013—Igo Express Co., drayage, Oct., 1908, Jan., 1909 ..... 7.75

3014—H. J. McCaine, money advanced for incidentals Dec., 1908, Jan., 1909 ..... 55.06

3015—F. J. Romer Construction Company, making alterations in Library December, 1908 ..... 1.40

3016—F. R. Mann & Son, boxes, etc., Dec., 1908 ..... 1.25

3017—N. W. Electric Equipment Company, electrical sundries January 15, 1909 ..... 1.65

3018—Hennepin Hardware Co., sweeping compound, January, 1909	10.00
3019—Mannheimer Bros., linoleum cement, Dec., 1908	.80
3020—Nimis & Nimis, key sockets, Jan., 1909, tape, etc	7.25
3021—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co., valves, brooms, etc., January, 1909	2.30
3022—St. Paul Building Co., repairs to entrance steps, windows, etc., Nov., 1908	14.04
3023—J. G. Robertson, snow shovel, wrench, etc., January, 1909	8.05
3024—J. H. Allen & Co., Dutch cleanser, Ivory soap, Jan., 1909	7.25
3025—Maendler Bros., dusters, Jan., 1909	3.00
3026—C. J. Behr, hauling ashes, Jan., 1909	19.00
3027—Library of Congress, catalogue cards, Dec., 1908	67.78
Total for month of February, 1909	$5,100.05

MARCH, 1909.

3028—Otto Bremer, City Treasurer, payroll for February, 1909	$1,944.10
3029—Frank Alverdes Co., binding books, March 1, 1909	387.35
3030—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Jan. 13, Feb. 6, 9, 10, 16, 13, 17, 18, 1909	485.88
3031—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding books, Jan. 29, 1909	3.00
3032—Lemcke & Buechner, books, Jan. 19, 25, 29, 1909	135.74
3033—R. L. Polk & Co., two blue books, Feb. 25, 1909	8.00
3034—E. W. Porter, books, Feb. 13, 15, 26, 1909	44.25
3035—Joel Munsell's Sons, books, Dec. 7, 1908, Jan. 6, 1909	6.30
3036—A. C. McClurg & Co., Murray's Dict., Feb. 1, 1909	1.94
3037—Geo. F. Cram, Railway Atlas, Feb. 16, 1909	12.50
3038—Rand, McNally & Co., Business Atlas, Jan. 20, 1909	10.50
3039—American Educational Co., Patterson's college and school directory, Feb. 2, 1909	3.50
3040—H. W. Wilson Co., book index, Feb. 20, 1909	4.00
3041—Nellie A. Hall, circulating 1,054 vols. in February, 1909	10.54
3042—Miss Clara Kellogg, circulating 1,341 vols. in January, 1909, 1,038 vols. in February, 1909	23.79
3043—Victor C. Sundberg, circulating 810 vols. in February, 1909	8.10

3044—John W. Nelson, circulating 869 vols. in August, 1908, 961 vols. in January, 1909	18.30
3045—H. & Val. J. Rothschild, insurance premium, Jan. 3, 1909 (contents of Library)	240.00
3046—Strickland & Doolittle Co., insurance premium, Jan. 3, 1909	216.00
3047—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current for Feb. 1909	414.26
3048—N. W. Fuel Co., fuel, Feb. 2 to 26, 1909	360.84
3049—C. J. Behr, hauling ashes, Feb. 1-28, 1909	14.00
3050—United States Supply Co., ells, hose valve, couplings, etc., Jan. 5 to 22, 1909	12.65
3051—F. R. Mann & Son, lettering transom and door, etc., Feb. 18-27, 1909	10.50
3052—Vicosity Oil Co., oil, Nov. 27, 1908, Feb. 5, 1909	8.60
3053—R. B. Whitacre & Co., iron and rope, Feb. 9, 1909	19.50
3054—F. G. Leslie Co., toilet paper, Feb. 19, 1909	4.50
3055—Board of Water Commr's, water for month of Feb. 1909	18.40
3056—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., service for month of Feb. 1909	5.00
3057—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service, Feb. 1909	2.50
3058—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, Dec. 29, 1908, to January 26, 1909	13.30
3059—Remington Typewriter Co., ribbon coupon book, Feb. 9, 1909	3.50
3060—Library Bureau, catalogue rules interleaved, Dec. 4, 1908, buff cards, February 23, 1909	3.67
3061—Pioneer Press Co., borrower's register, blank index, etc., Jan. 27, 28, 1909	22.50
3062—Randall Printing Co., post cards, envelopes, etc., Feb. 16, 23, 1909	43.00
Total for month of March, 1909	$4,520.51

APRIL, 1909.

3063—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll for month of March, 1909	$1,912.88
3064—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, March 1 to 30, 1909	723.84

3065—The American Law Book Co., law books, March 15, 1909 6.00

3066—E. W. Porter, books, Jan. 27, Mch. 27, 1909..... 74.75

3067—Publishers' Weekly, English catalogue, Mch. 8, 1909.... 1.50

3068—Department of Public Printing & Stationery, 1 set Hansard, 1907, Feb. 9, 1909..... 5.00

3069—The Pandex Company, subscription to Street's Pandex of the News, Jan. 1, 1909, to Dec. 1, 1909, annual volume, 1908 ..... 17.50

3070—Frank Alverdes Co., binding miscellaneous books and magazines, Apr. 5, 1909..... 520.20

3071—N. W. Fuel Co., fuel, March 1 to 28, 1909..... 324.11

3072—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current for month of March, 1909 ..... 357.11

3073—F. R. Mann & Son, turpentine, alcohol, brush, enamel, etc., Mch. 9, 1909..... 10.70

3074—Northwestern Electric Equipment Co., shades, March 8, 1909 ..... 1.50

3075—J. G. Robertson, liquid veneer, sheet packing, brooms, flue cleaner, etc., March 27, 1909..... 18.30

3076—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co., blade for hoe, discs, etc., Jan. 29, Feb. 6, 15, 1909, March 10, 22, 1909..... 5.41

3077—Nimis & Nimis, recept. with brass flange, Jan. 27, 1909.. 1.00

3078—Aug. A. Schulze, removing ashes, Mch. 31, 1909... ..... 13.00

3079—Library Bureau, oak case, cards, spring binders, March 6, 11, 13, 24, 1909..... 96.20

3080—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, April 1, Feb. 6, 27, Mch. 15, 18, 1909..... 16.28

3081—Randall Printing Co., index cards, postals, blank forms, etc., March 6, 22, 27, 29, 31, 1909..... 70.75

3082—Ballard City Express & Storage Co., drayage, Feb. 1909. 25.00

3083—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service for March, 1909..... 2.50

3084—Board of Water Commr's, water for March, 1909..... 20.25

3085—American District Telegraph Company, night watch service for February and March, 1909..... 9.00

3086—Western Union Tel. Co., time service for April, May, June, 1909 ..... 3.00

3087—N. W. Telephone Exchange Co., telephone service for January, February, March and April, 1909..... 14.50

3088—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephone service for March and April, 1909	10.00
3089—Grace E. Denny, 11 Saturday story hour in Childrens' Department, Jan. 23 to April 3, 1909, incl.	22.00
3090—Clara Kellogg, circulating 1,118 vols. in March, 1909	11.18
3091—Nellie A. Hall, circulating 918 vols. in March, 1909	9.18
3092—Victor Sundberg, circulating 1,263 vols. in March, 1909	12.63
3093—John W. Nelson, circulating 897 vols. in Feb., 1,139 vols. in March, 1909	20.36
3094—Helen J. McCaine, money advanced for incidentals, for months of February and March, 1909	51.79
3095—Twin City Library Club, 25 lists of periodicals, March 8, 1909	3.50
Total for month of April, 199	$4,389.92

MAY, 1909.

3096—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll for month of April, 1909	$1,877.65
3097—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, April, 1909	243.01
3098—E. W. Porter, books, April, 1909	243.15
3099—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding miscellaneous magazines, April 30, 1909	168.20
3100—Frank Alverdes & Co., binding books and magazines, May 4, 1909	423.65
3101—Lemcke & Buechner, German books, April 1 to 26, 1909	5.22
3102—D. O'Halloran, 1 Bible, March 13, 1909	2.00
3103—A. H. Clark Co., 1 copy "Repeal of the Missouri Compromise," March 17, 1909	3.15
3104—Office of the Publishers' Weekly, 1 Annual Literary Index, 1908, 1 American Catalogue, 1908, April 16, 22, 1909	8.32
3105—A. C. McClurg & Co., Murray's Dict., April 24, 1909	1.30
3106—William Abbatt, "Extra Number" No. 5 Magazine of History, April 19, 1909	2.00
3107—Dana Estes Co., 1 copy Private Life of Guizot, April 1, 1909	1.00

3108—Library Bureau, oak trays, printed book pockets, binders for magazines, April 1 to 30, 1909	68.00
3109—Pioneer Press Co., binding daily papers, April, 1909	7.00
3110—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, April 8, 29, 1909	9.24
3111—Stanchfield & Co., printing postals, blanks, etc., April 2, 30, 1909	13.50
3112—Randall Printing Co., cutting and banding scratch pads, blank forms, etc., April 12, 24, 1909	13.50
3113—Miss Grace Denny, story hour in Childrens' Dept., April 17 and 24, 1909	8.00
3114—V. C. Sundberg, circulating 1,182 vols. in April, 1909	11.82
3115—J. W. Nelson, circulating 1,082 vols. in April, 1909	10.82
3116—N. W. Fuel Co., coal, April 3 to 26, 1909	175.46
3117—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current during month of April, 1909	349.42
3118—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for month of April, 1909	19.35
3119—Tri-State Telephone Co., telephone service for May, 1909	5.00
3120—American District Telegraph Co., night-watch service, April, 1909	4.50
3121—August Schulze, removing ashes, April, 1909	8.00
3122—J. H. Allen & Co., naphtha powder, lye, etc., April, 1909	10.70
3123—F. R. Mann & Son, painting walls and ceiling, bronzing liquid, etc.	14.00
3124—Lee & Hoff Mfg. Co., repairs to elevator, Feb. 12, Apr. 9, 1909	32.16
3125—Maendler Bros., floor brush, April 20, 1909	4.50
3126—Hennepin Hardware Co., sweeping compound, April 15, 1909	10.00
3127—Thos. Finn, ventilation pipe, etc., January 22, 1909	9.00
3128—N. W. Electric Equipment Co., electrical sundries, Apr. 7, 13, 14, 27, 28, 1909	9.28
3129—F. G. Leslie Co., F. G. L. special toilet, April 4, 1909	6.50
3130—Review Publishing Co., printing and binding, etc., April 1 to 9, 1909	501.59
Total for month of May, 1909	$4,279.99

JUNE, 1909.

3131—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll for month of May, 1909	$1,845.23
3132—Frank Alverdes Co., binding books, June 1, 1909	310.15
3133—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazines, May 19, 1909	34.25
3134—E. W. Porter, books, May 10, 11, 24, 28, 1909	163.12
3135—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, May 3 to 27, 1909	333.76
3136—The Arthur H. Clark Co., book, "Old Times on the Mississippi River," May 14, 1909	3.15
3137—The Boston Book Co., books, Sept. 1908, Feb. 3, 1909	95.38
3138—Library of Congress, catalogue cards, May 15, 1909	23.69
3139—Geo. Barrie & Sons, 1 copy "The Old and the New Peru," May 13, 1909	10.00
3140—F. J. Haynes, guide book and album, May 10, 1909	5.25
3141—Dispatch Printing Co., subscription St. Paul Dispatch, May 1, 1909, to Jan. 1, 1910	1.75
3142—Library Bureau, guides, binders, etc., April 30, May 13, 14, 1909	64.00
3143—John W. Nelson, circulating 1,089 vols. in May, 1909	10.89
3144—Victor C. Sundberg, circulating 987 vols. in May, 1909	9.87
3145—Clara Kellogg, circulating 901 vols. in April, 1909	9.01
3146—Nellie A. Hall, circulating 1,089 vols. in April, 1909	10.89
3147—Grace Denny, 5 Saturdays' story-telling to the children, May, 1909	20.00
3148—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current for month of May, 1909	316.69
3149—N. W. Fuel Co,. coal, May, 1909	73.36
3150—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service for months of April and May, 1909	5.00
3151—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for month of May, 1909	17.45
3152—August Schulze, hauling ashes, May, 1909	4.00
3153—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co., white waste, rubber gaskets, April 21, May 5, 1909	5.50
3154—J. G. Robertson, high-speed twist drill, May 29, 1909	2.15
3155—Randall Printing Co., ruled cards, manila tag cards, May 21, 24, 1909	18.75

3156—McClain & Gray Co., pens, April 27, 1909	1.50
3157—Schroeder & Co., repairing chairs, May 14, 1909	4.00
3158—N. W. Telephone Exchange, telephone service month of May, 1909	4.00
3159—Harry E. George, insurance premium, April 15, 1909	72.00
3161—St. Paul Building Co., building repairs, March, 1909	7.70
3160—Helen J. McCaine, money advanced for incidentals, April 1 to June 1 1909	71.52
Total for month of June, 1909	$3,554.01

JULY, 1909.

3162—Otto Bremer, City Treas., certificates of indebtedness 4% dated June 15, 1909 (Greenleaf Clark Fund)	$900.00
3163—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll for month of June, 1909	1,885.90
3164—F. Alverdes Co., binding books, June 25, 1909	294.35
3165—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazines, June 20, 1909	25.95
3166—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, June 2 to 18, 1909	438.36
3167—Robert Appleton Co., Catholic Encyclopedia, June 3, 1909	8.00
3168—American Law Book Co., Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure, June 12, 1909	6.00
3169—Lemcke & Buechner, German books, June 16, 1909	1.05
3170—Library of Congress, catalogue cards and proof sheets to June 15, 1909	41.32
3171—Randall Printing Co., blank forms and cards, June 11, 21, 1909	39.25
3172—McClain & Gray Co., erasers, desk blotters, etc., June 15, 1909	10.66
3173—Ballards City Express Co., distributing books, June 12, 1909	19.50
3174—N. W. Telephone Exchange Co., telephone service, June, July and August, 1909	12.60
3175—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephone service June and July, 1909	10.[illegible]
3176—American Dist. Telegraph Co., night watch service, May and June, 1909	9.[illegible]

3177—St. Paul Gas Light Co., electric current during month of June, 1909	232.81
3178—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for month of June, 1909	15.20
3179—Crane & Ordway Co., plugs, bushings, pipe, valves, etc., April 13, June 19, 1909	6.94
3180—Nimis & Nimis, Edison base lamp and key sockets, May 27, 1909	42.16
3181—N. W. Electric Co., electrical supplies, June 10, 18, 1909	2.42
3182—Standard Oil Co., floor dressing and machine oil, June 9, 1909	4.27
3183—John D. Roberts, installing hot water boiler and gas heater, June 18, 1909	30.00
3184—Grace E. Denny, story hour in Children's Department, June, 1909	16.00
3185—Nellie A. Hall, circulating 768 vols. in May, 1909	7.68
3186—Clara Kellogg, circulating 386 vols. in May, 1909	3.86
3187—Raymond B. Bowen, Standard Dictionary of Facts, June 14, 1909	5.50
3188—Library Bureau, cards, June 10, 1909	26.50
3189—Peoples Ice Co., ice, May 2 to July 2, 1909	8.00
3190—W. A. Lang, insurance premium, May, 1909	6.65
3191—D. D. Smith, insurance premium, May 23, 1909	22.50
Total for month of July, 1909	$4,131.77

AUGUST, 1909.

3192—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll for month of July, 1909	$1,942.55
3193—Frank Alverdes Co., binding books and magazines, August 2, 1909	429.00
3194—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazines, etc., July 19, 1909	31.75
3195—E. W. Porter, books, June 22 to July 27, 1909	422.62
3196—American Law Book Co., Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure, vol. 32, July 26, 1909	6.00
3197—Boston Book Co., magazines, June 18, 1909	2.81
3198—A. C. McClurg & Co., 1 Murray's Dictionary, July 24, 1909	1.33

3199—Charles Scribner's Sons, 1 set Henry James, June 30, 1909	45.60
3200—Ernst Wasmuth, German books, Dec. 31, 1908	9.60
3201—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, June 26 to July 30, 1909	268.86
3202—F. R. Mann & Son, oil, alcohol, May 26, June 16, July 1, 1909	1.30
3203—Twin City Iron & Wire Works, erecting brass railing, July 17, 1909	98.00
3204—Hennepin Hardware Co., sweeping compound, July 15, 1909	10.00
3205—Utley B. Curtis, tile, cement and sand, July 16, 1909	55.60
3206—R. E. Finley, pump, July 21, 1909	4.00
3207—J. G. Robertson, pails, mops, etc., July 8 to 21, 1909	22.61
3208—Randall Printing Co., index cards, back covers, etc., July 13, 21, 26, 1909	45.00
3209—Library Bureau, book supports, July 1, 1909	65.00
3210—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., service for August, 1909	5.00
3211—Western Union Tel. Co., time service, July, August and September, 1909	3.00
3212—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, May 5 to July 19, 1909	10.15
3213—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service for months of June and July, 1909	5.00
3214—St. Paul Gas Light Co., gas and electric current for month of July, 1909	153.93
3215—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for month of July, 1909	22.95
3216—Lee & Hoff, knife switches for controller, springs, etc., May 7, June 30, 1909	3.70
3217—Victor C. Sundberg, circulating 893 vols. in June; 833 vols. in July, 1909	17.26
3218—John W. Nelson, circulating 974 vols. in June, 1,009 vols. in July, 1909	19.83
3219—H. J. McCaine, expenses to American Library Association meeting, June and July, 1909	83.88
3220—H. J. McCaine, money advanced for incidentals, June and July, 1909	53.71
Total for month of August, 1909	$3,840.04

SEPTEMBER, 1909.

3221—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll, August, 1909	$1,861.60
3222—Frank Alverdes Co., binding books, Aug. 31, 1909	504.10
3223—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazines, August 12, 1909	20.35
3224—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Aug. 6 to 27, 1909	251.41
3225—Paul Wenzel, Grands Prix de Rome supplements, 1901 to 1907	8.00
3226—E. W. Porter, books, Aug. 6, 10, 31, 1909	12.15
3227—R. L. Polk & Co., City Directory, Aug. 17, 1909	7.00
3228—F. J. Romer Construction Co., labor and material furnished for shelves in Reference Room, etc., June 30, July 24, 1909	3.28
3229—De Coster & Clark, roll top desk, Aug. 5, 1909	25.00
3230—Library Bureau, oak trays, cases and spring back binders, July 31, Aug. 1, 2, 1909	150.85
3231—J. H. Allen & Co., Dutch cleanser and ivory soap, August 27, 1909	10.50
3232—A. Marzolf & Co., oil, glue, gasoline, mops, solder, etc., January 13 to August 31, 1909	14.90
3233—Crane & Ordway Co., plugs, bushing, etc., June 24, 29, July 28, 1909	1.35
3234—N. W. Electric Co., lamps, July 31, 1909	1.60
3235—F. G. Leslie Paper Co., toilet paper, July 16, 1909	10.00
3236—McClain & Gray Co., envelopes, pens and ink, August 10, 25, 1909	3.40
3237—Fisher Paper Co., card boxes, Aug. 23, 1909	3.00
3238—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., service for September, 1909	5.00
3239—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service, August, 1909	2.50
3240—Peoples Ice Co., ice furnished, July 2 to August 2, 1909	4.00
3241—American District Telegraph Co., night watch service, July, 1909	4.50
3242—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for month of August, 1909	20.45
3243—Nellie A. Hall, circulating 797 vols. in July, 1909	7.97
3244—St. Paul Gas Light Co., gas and electric current for month of August, 1909	183.39
Total for month of September, 1909	$3,116.30

OCTOBER, 1909.

3245—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll, September, 1909.....	$1,748.42
3246—Frank Alverdes, binding books, July 28 to Sept. 7, 1909..	153.30
3247—Frank Alverdes, binding books, Sept. 7, 1909.....	163.35
3248—Frank Alverdes, binding books, July 28, 1909.....	187.65
3249—Frank Alverdes, binding books, Sept. 15, 1909.....	168.70
3250-3254—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Sept. 1909..	713.79
3255—The Boston Book Co., books, July, Sept. 1909.....	15.62
3256—Otto Harrassowitz, books, Sept. 14, 1909.....	6.09
3257—Wm. Helburn, art books, Aug. 18, 1909.....	15.52
3258—Little, Brown & Co., books, Sept. 17, 1909.....	4.00
3259—Arthur H. Clark Co., books, July 12, 1909.....	2.25
3260—H. W. Wilson Co., subscription year ending June, 1910	12.00
3261—De-Bower Elliott Co., books, August 11, 1909.....	19.75
3262—E. W. Porter, books, Sept. 11, 1909.....	106.85
3263—The Pioneer Co., binding newspapers, August 11, 1909..	11.00
3264—Library Bureau, buff cards, spring back binders lettered, Aug. 18, Sept. 17, 1909.....	57.00
3265—De Coster & Clark, desk, Sept. 30, 1909.....	18.00
3266—J. G. Robertson, lining fire box fronts on boilers in Library building, Sept. 7, 1909.....	56.10
3267—Maendler Bros., dusters, Sept. 15, 1909.....	2.50
3268—H. W. Johns-Manville Co., gaskets and packing, Sept. 28, 1909	4.90
3269—American Dist. Tel. Co., night watch service, August, 1909	4.50
3270—H. J. McCaine, money advanced for incidentals, August and Sept., 1909.....	84.38
3271—Elk Laundry Co., toilet supply, September, 1909.....	2.50
3272—J. W. Nelson, circulating 1,085 vols. in August, 1909.....	10.85
3273—Mrs. Nellie A. Hall, circulating 867 vols. in August, 1909	8.67
3274—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, Aug. 31 to Sept. 22, 1909	6.05
3275—Randall Printing Co., blank forms and postals, Sept. 16, 18, 25, 1909.....	62.00
3276—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for Sept. 1909.....	30.45
3277—Tri-State Tel. & Tel. Co., service for Oct. 1909.....	5.00

3278—American Tent and Awning Co., rent of 50 chairs, June, 1909	5.00
3279—Peoples Ice Co., ice, August, 1909	5.20
3280—W. A. Lang, Agt., insurance premium plate glass, Oct. 7, 1909	65.81
3281—St. Paul Gas Light Co., gas and electric current for September, 1909	236.59
3282—Wm. A. Read & Co., purchase of C. B. & Q. Railroad Co. bond, due 1949, and accrued interest from July 1, 1909 (Greenleaf Clark Library Fund)	1,022.00
Total for month of October, 1909	$5,015.79

NOVEMBER, 1909.

3283—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll, October, 1909	$2,014.84
3284—Frank Alverdes Co., binding books, Nov. 2, 1909	162.35
3285—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazines, Nov. 2, 1909	44.35
3286—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Oct. 16 to 30, 1909	105.63
3287—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, envelopes and paste, Sept. 29 to Oct. 21, 1909	199.79
3288—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Oct. 8 to 27, 1909	183.03
3289—St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books, Oct. 8 to 11, 1909	198.09
3290—Wm. Abbatt, 1 extra number Magazine of History, Oct. 22, 1909	1.65
3291—Chas. Scribner's Sons, 1 vol. No. 18 of F. H. Smith Clo. Oct. 15, 1909	1.50
3292—E. W. Porter, books, Oct. 11, 16, 28, 30, 1909	53.11
3293—American Dialect Society, dialect notes, Oct. 26, 1909	7.00
3294—Victor Sundberg, circulating 752 vols. in August, 724 vols. in September, 715 vols. in October, 1909	21.91
3295—Nellie A. Hall, circulating 1,004 vols. in September, 1,017 vols. in October, 1909	20.21
3296—Clara N. Kellogg, circulating 1,004 vols. in October, 1909	10.04
3297—Library Bureau, rubber rings and trays, Oct. 4, 1909	3.10
3298—Gaylord Bros., pamphlet binders, etc., Oct. 20, 22, 27, 1909	9.41

3299—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, Oct. 6, 1909..... 8.63
3300—John W. Nelson, circulating 1,122 vols. in September, 1,005 in October, 1909..... 21.27
3301—St. Paul Gas Light Co., gas and electric current for month of October, 1909..... 280.72
3302—Standard Oil Co., cylinder oil, etc., Sept. 28, 1909..... 5.83
3303—Peoples Ice Co., ice furnished during month of September, 1909 ..... 5.85
3304—Valley Iron Works, grate, etc., Sept. 3, 10, 1909..... 20.34
3305—Elk Laundry Co., toilet service, Oct. 1909..... 2.50
3306—Swift & Co., soap, Sept. 17, 1909..... 7.15
3307—American District Telegraph Co., time service, Oct., Nov., Dec., 1909..... 7.50
3308—Mike Cline, removing ashes, Sept. and Oct., 1909..... 11.00
3309—Northwestern Fuel Co., coal, Sept. and Oct., 1909..... 238.92
3310—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co., service for Nov., 1909 ..... 5.00
3311—P. R.Mann & Son, alcohol, etc., Aug. 5, Oct. 11, 1909... 3.75
3312—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for Oct. 1909..... 15.25
3313—A. R. Robertson, mop pails, hammers, cans, etc., Oct. 30, 1909 ..... 11.80
3314—Harry E. George, insurance premium, Oct. 18, 1909 three years 70:75
3315—N. W. Telephone Exchange Co, service, September, October, November, December, 1909..... 16.00

Total for month of November, 1909..... $3,768.27

DECEMBER, 1909.

3316—Canceled.
3317—Otto Bremer, City Treas., payroll, November, 1909..... $2,032.15
3318—E. W. Porter, books, Nov. 5 to 20, 1909..... 469.76
3319—A. J. Grant, mosses with hand-lens and microscope, Nov. 17, 1909..... 2.50
3320—The Massachusetts Historical Society, pamphlets, Nov. 16, 1909 ..... 4.30
3321—Gaylord Bros., pamphlet binders, Nov. 6, 1909..... 18.71
3322—Francis R. Niglutsch, seven vols. Bible story, Nov. 11, 1909 ..... 28.00
3323—N. J. Bartlett & Co., books, Nov. 1, 1909..... 7.60
3324—A. C. McClurg & Co., dictionary, Nov. 2, 1909..... 1.94
3325—Robert Appleton, vol. VI, The Catholic Encyclopedia, Nov. 1, 1909..... 8.00

3326—Francis Edwards, 1 vol. Psychical Research, Sept. 30, 1909	6.11
3327—Boston Book Co., magazines, etc., Nov. 17, 1909	16.02
3328—Lemcke & Buechner, German books, July 31 to Oct. 15, 1908	45.91
3329—Lemcke & Buechner, books, July 1 to Nov. 1, 1909	169.18
3330—American Law Book Co., Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure, Vol. 33, Nov. 23, 1909	6.00
3331—Waldorf Bindery Co., binding magazine, etc., Nov. 17, 30, 1909	31.70
3332—Frank Alverdes Company, binding books and magazines, Nov. 29, 1909	197.25
3333—Randall Printing Co., blank forms, postal cards, etc., Sept. 22 to Nov. 30, 1909	96.75
3334—McClain & Gray Co., stationery, Oct. 29 to Nov. 6, 1909	6.45
3335—St. Paul Printing Co., printed forms, Oct. 29, 1909	5.75
3336—Library Bureau, pamphlet cases, Nov. 11, 1909	9.00
3337—C. G. Hartin Coal Co., coal, Nov. 4, 22, 1909	227.59
3338—St. Paul Gas Light Co., gas and electric current for month of Nov. 1909	414.12
3339—Board of Water Comm'rs, water for month of Nov. 1909	14.50
3340—St. Paul Building Co., repairs to windows, Oct. 20, 1909	48.45
3341—J. G. Robertson, door check with bracket, white waste, etc., Nov. 30, 1909	16.21
3342—Nimis & Nimis, lamps, Oct. 21, 1909	2.15
3343—Western Machine Mfg. Co., repairing gate, etc., Sept. 2, Oct. 2, 21, 1909	6.70
3344—Hennepin Hardware Co., sweeping compound, Oct. 29, 1909	10.00
3345—American District Telegraph Co., time service, Oct. 1909	4.50
3346—Elk Laundry Co., toilet supply, Nov. 1909	2.50
3347—Maendler Bros., counter dusters, Oct. 28, 1909	3.88
3348—N. W. Electric Equipment Co., electrical sundries, Sept. 30 to Oct. 20, 1909	13.42
3349—United States Supply Co., gauge glasses, packing, polish, etc., Aug. 26 to November 23, 1909	8.07
3350—Peoples Express & Storage Co., drayage, Nov. 26, 1909	9.50
3351—Pioneer Company, leather binders, printed forms, etc., Nov. 3, 18, 1909	9.75
3352—Helen J. McCaine, money advanced for incidentals, Oct. 6 to Nov. 22, 1909	55.09
Total for December, 1909	$4,009.51

RECAPITULATION.

Year.	Vol. in Library.	Book Borrowers	Circulation	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83 ...	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887+	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,188.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99
1905	80,248	18,296	263,051	12,232.31	724.22	17,684.39
1906	86,198	21,513	304,626	15,098.84	1,016.84	20,082.09
1907	95,663	29,166	328,054	19,208.96	1,305.49	20,601.72
1908	103,896	36,173	379 853	11,969.02	127.33	22,120.91
1909	110,277	42,040	409,028	7,401.81	1,436.03	22,927.32

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

+Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commenced March 1.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1909.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Adams, Charles F., Boston, Mass	1	...
American Anti-vivisection Society, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
American Irish Historical Society, Providence, R. I	1	...
American Peace Society, Boston, Mass	...	1
American Political Science Association, Baltimore, Md	2	...
American Telephone and Telegraph Co., Boston, Mass	1	...
Apprentices' Library, Philadelphia, Pa	...	1
Association of Life Insurance Presidents	5	...
Baltimore Sun, Baltimore, Md	1	...
Barker, Wharton, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Battersea Public Libraries, Battersea, Eng	...	1
Beatty, John W., Pittsburgh, Pa	1	...
Bemis, E. W., Cleveland, O	1	...
Benneville, James S. de, Yokohama, Japan	1	...
Benton, J. H., Boston, Mass	...	1
Boston City Council, Boston, Mass	...	1
Boston Museum of Fine Arts Boston, Mass	1	...
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	...	2
Boston Schoolhouse Department, Boston, Mass	2	...
British and Foreign Unitarian Association	1	...
British Columbia Bureau of Mines, British Columbia, Can.	2	...
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	1
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Bull, Mattie S., Gentry, Ark	1	...
Canada Interior Department	1	...
Canada Labor Department	3	...
Carnegie Institution, Washington, D. C	2	...
Cary, C. P., Madison, Wis	3	...
Casson, H. N., Pine Hill, N. Y	1	...
Chicago Bureau of Statistics, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Department of Public Works, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Chicago Public Library, Chicago, Ill	...	1
Chicago University, Chicago, Ill	2	7
Christian Science Publication Committee of Minnesota	10	...
Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio	...	2
Connecticut Geological and Natural History Survey	2	...
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...
Democratic National Committee	1	...
Des Moines City Council, Des Moines, Iowa	...	1
Des Moines Commercial Club, Des Moines, Ia	1	...
Detroit Board of Health, Detroit, Mich	1	...
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Michigan	...	1
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Duluth Public Library, Duluth, Minn	...	1
Electric Railway Journal, New York City	1	...
Engineering Record, New York City	1	...
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Erie Public Library, Erie, Pa	...	1
Farnsworth, E. C., Portland, Me	2	...
Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Ill	1	5
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Galesburg Public Library, Galesburg, Ill	...	1
Gary Public Library, Gary, Ind	...	1
Gay, J. B., United States Navy	3	...
Geographic and Exploring Commission of the United States of Mexico	1	...
Gilfillan, Mrs. M	7	...
Ginn and Co., Boston, Mass	1	...
Greene, Charles L., M. D	12	...
Griswold, Stephen M., Brooklyn, N. Y	1	...
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass	2	1
Hazzard, George H	1	...
Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, Ohio	2	1
Hill, A. J	1	...
Illinois Historical Society	4	...
Illinois University, Urbana, Ill	1	1
Independent Order of B'Nai. B'Rith District Grand Lodge No. 6	1	...
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
Janes, Lewis G., Boston, Mass	1	...
Jersey City Free Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	2
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	...	1
Kansas Board of Agriculture	2	...
Katz, Reuben	1	...
Kellogg Public Library, Green Bay, Wis	...	1
Kopilovich, S	4	...
Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Ill	2	...
Lake Mohonk Conference of Friends of the Indian, Lake Mohonk, N. Y	1	...
Lawrence Chamber of Commerce, Lawrence, Mass	1	...
Lexington Public Library, Lexington, Ky	...	1
Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, Neb	...	2
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
Loubat, Le Duc de, Paris, France	1	...
Louisiana State University	1	...
Macalester College	1	...
McKinley Memorial Committee, Philadelphia, Pa	1	...
McLean, Dr. John	1	...
Mankato Free Public Library, Mankato, Minn	...	1
Maryland University, Baltimore, Md	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Massachusetts Historical Society	1	...
Maxcy, W. G., Oshkosh, Wis	1	...
Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco, Cal	...	1
Merchants' Association of New York City	7	...
Michigan Board of Health	...	3
Mills, Mrs. William L	3	...
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, Wis	1	...
Milwaukee Public Library, Milwaukee, Wis	...	1
Minneapolis Associated Charities Minneapolis, Minn	...	1
Minneapolis Board of Park Commissioners, Minneapolis, Minn.	3	...
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	...	1
Minnesota Academy of Social Sciences	1	...
Minnesota Bureau of Labor	...	2
Minnesota Forestry Commission	1	...
Minnesota Historical Society	4	...
Minnesota Insurance Commission	11	...
Minnesota Legislative Department	1	...
Minnesota Public Library Commission	...	1
Minnesota Railway and Warehouse Commission	2	...
Minnesota Soldiers' Home	1	...
Minnesota State Agricultural Society	3	...
Minnesota University, Minneapolis, Minn	3	...
Minnesota University, Agricultural Experiment Station	3	1
Mississippi Department of Archives and History	2	...
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	1	1
Murray, T. H., Woonsocket, R. I	1	...
National Association of Life Underwriters, Louisville, Ky.	1	...
National Civic Federation	1	...
National Commission from the United States of Mexico to the Pan-American Exposition	2	...
Nebraska University, Agricultural Experiment Station	...	4
Neighborhood House Social Settlement	17	1
New Haven Free Public Library, New Haven, Conn	...	1
New York City Charities Publication Committee	1	...
New York City North Side Board of Trade	1	...
New York Department of Agriculture	1	...
New York Public Library, New York City	1	...
New York Society Library, New York City	...	1
New York State Hospital, West Haverstraw, N. Y	...	1
New York State Museum, Albany, N. Y	4	...
New Zealand Tourist and Health Resorts Department	2	...
Newark Free Public Library, Newark, N. J	...	1
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass	...	1
North Dakota Public Library Commission	...	1
North Dakota State Geological Survey	1	...
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Toronto, Ontario, Can	1	...
Osaka Library, Nakanoshima, Osaka, Japan	...	1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill	...	1
Perry, S. P., Worcester, Mass	2	...
Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N. H	...	1
Pouren Defence Conference, New York City	1	...
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I.	...	1
Raymond, George L., Princeton University	9	...
Reid, Rev. John D	9	...
Reisinger, Hugo, New York City	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Republican National Committee	1	...
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo.	...	1
St. Paul Board of Fire Commissioners	...	1
St. Paul Board of Park Commissioners	4	...
St. Paul Common Council	3	...
St. Paul Institute of Arts and Sciences	2	...
St. Paul Playgrounds Committee	...	1
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1
San Francisco Citizen's Health Committee	1	...
San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco, Cal	...	1
Schlapp, George, Fort Madison, Ia	1	...
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash	...	1
Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn	5	...
Silk Association of America	2	...
Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, New York City	3	...
Sons of the American Revolution, Cincinnati, O	1	...
Springfield Chamber of Commerce, Springfield, Mass	1	...
Stamm, Dr. G. J	7	...
Still College of Osteopathy, Des Moines, Iowa	...	1
Superior Public Library, Superior, Wis	...	1
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y	...	1
Taylor, H. Knox	1	...
Thompson, Slason, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Toledo Public Library, Toledo, Ohio	...	1
Towle Manufacturing Co., Newburyport, Mass	2	...
United States Brewers' Association, New York City	2	...
United States Department of Agriculture	64	369
United States Department of Commerce and Labor	82	13
United States Department of State	1	...
United States Interior Department	53	79
United States Interstate Commerce Commission	10	...
United States Legislative Department	28	...
United States Library of Congress	4	...
United States National Museum	3	...
United States National Rivers and Harbors Congress, Washington, D. C	1	...
United States Navy Department	9	...
United States Patent Office	9	...
United States Smithsonian Institution	17	8
United States Treasury Department	20	21
United States War Department	82	1
Uruguay Director General of Statistics, Uruguay, So. Am.	1	...
Varilla, Philippe Punau—, Boston, Mass	1	...
Vermont University, Burlington, Vt	1	...
Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va	...	1
Vitali, Angelo, New York City	1	...
Waddell, William, St. Louis, Mo	2	...
Washburn Memorial Orphan Asylum, Minneapolis, Minn.	...	1
Wheeler, Olin D	10	...
Wheelock, Theodore B	2	...
Wisconsin Civil Service Commission	1	...
Wisconsin Free Library Commission	...	1
Worcester Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass	1	1
Young, E. A	1	...

PERIODICALS FOR THE YEAR 1909.

Academy.
Advocate of Peace.
Aeronautics.
Ambition.
America.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal.
American Architect.
American Boy.
American Catholic Quarterly Review.
American Chemical Journal.
American Contractor.
American Economic Association Quarterly.
American Educational Review.
American Engineer and Railroad Journal.
American Historical Magazine.
American Historical Review.
American Homes and Gardens.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Numismatics.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Semitic Languages and Literature.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Journal of Theology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine.
American Naturalist.
American Photography.
American Political Science Review.
American Poultry Journal.
American Review of Reviews.
American Statistical Association Pub's.
Americana.
Amerika Esperanto.
Der Amerikaner.
Amusement News.
Annales de Geographie.
Annals of the Propagation of the Faith.
Appleton's Magazine.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review (Amer.)
Architectural Review (English).
Arena.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art Craftsman.
Art Journal.
Asiatic Quarterly Review.
Assembly Herald.
Association Review.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Babyhood.
Banker and Tradesman.
Banker's Magazine.
Der Baumeister.
Bellman.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Biblical World.
Billboard.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Book News Monthly.
Book Review Digest.
Book-keeper.
Bookman.
Botanical Gazette.
Bradstreet's.
Brick.
Brickbuilder.
British Journal Photography.
Brush and Pail.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Bulletin of Bibliography.
Burlington Magazine.
Burr McIntosh Monthly.
Canadian Magazine.
Carpentry and Building.
Case and Comment.
Cassell's Magazine.
Cassier's Magazine.
Cathedral Bulletin.
Catholic Missions.
Catholic World.
Century Magazine.
Chamber's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical Engineer.
Chemical News.
Chicago Banker.
Children's Magazine.
Christian Endeavor World.
Christian Herald.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal.

Christian Science Sentinel.
Christian Work and Evangelist.
Church Record.
Churchman.
Classical Journal.
Classical Philology.
Cold Storage and Ice Trade Journal.
Collier's Weekly.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Common Sense Bible Teacher.
Compressed Air.
Concerning Municipal Ownership.
Concrete.
Congressional Record.
Conservation.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Correct English: How to Use it.
Cosmopolitan Magazine.
Country Gentleman.
Country Life.
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Cumulative Book Index.
Current Literature.
Delineator.
Designer.
Deutsche Kunst und Dekoration.
Deutsche Rundchau.
Deutsche Schule.
Deutscher Hausschatz.
Dial.
Dramatic Mirror.
Dublin Review.
Eastern and Western Review.
Economic Bulletin.
Economic Geology.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electric Journal.
Electric Railway Review.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Electrician and Mechanic.
Elementary School Teacher.
Elite Styles.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Digest.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Equity Series.
Etude.
Every Other Sunday.
Everybody's Magazine.
Exponent.
Expositor.
Expository Times.
Far East Magazine.
Farm and Poultry Digest.
Farmer (Orange Judd).
Farmer (St. Paul).
Field and Stream.
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Garden Magazine.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Geographical Journal.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Good Government.
Good Housekeeping.
Granite Monthly.
Graphic.
Gregg Writer.
Green Bag.
Hampton's Magazine.
Harper's Bazar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine.
Harvard Theological Review.
Health Culture.
Herald of the Cross.
Hibbert Journal.
Home Needlework Magazine.
Homiletic Review.
Horseless Age.
Horseshoer's Journal.
House and Garden.
House Beautiful.
Housekeeper.
Illuminating Engineer.
L'Illustration.
L'Illustration Theatrale.
L'Illustrazione Italiana.
Immigration Restriction League Publications.
Improvement Bulletin.
Independent.
Indian's Friend.

International Journal of Ethics.
International Marine Engineering.
International Steam Engineering.
Iron Age.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science.
Journal of American Chemical Society.
Journal of American Folk-Lore.
Journal of American History.
Journal of American Osteopathic Association.
Journal of Education.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Geology.
Journal of Modern Construction.
Journal of Philosophy, Psychology and Scientific methods.
Journal of Political Economy.
Journal of Royal Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoöphilly.
Judge.
Judicious Advertising.
Junior Christian Endeavor World.
Keith's Magazine on Home Building.
Keramic Studio.
Kindergarten Primary Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Die Kunst.
Die Kunst für Alle.
Die Kunst Unserer Zeit.
Ladies Home Journal.
Ladies Review.
Leslie's Weekly.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Zentralblätt.
Literary Digest.
Literary World.
Living Age.
Lodge Record.
London News.
London Quarterly Review.
McClure's Magazine.
Magazine of History with Notes and Queries.
Manual Training Magazine.
Masters in Art.
Maxwell's Talisman.
Medical Record.
Metal Industry.
Methodist Review. (Bi-monthly).
Methodist Review (Quarterly).
Metropolitan Magazine.
Minnesota and Dakota Farmer.
Minnesota Forester.
Missionary Review of the World.
Modern Language Association of America. Publications.
Modern Philology.
Modern Sanitation.
Motor.
Motor Boat.
Munsey's Magazine.
Musical Courier.
Musical Leader.
Mystic Magazine.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Food Magazine.
National Geographic Magazine.
National Magazine.
National Review.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Magazine.
Nineteenth Century and after.
North American Review.
Northwestern Christian Advocate.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
La Nouvelle Revue.
Official Gazette.
Open Court.
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing Magazine.
Outlook (American).
Outlook (English).
Overland Monthly.
Pacific Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery and Landscape Gardening.
Pearson's Magazine.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Pernin Stenographer.
Petermanns Mitteilungen [and Supplements.]
Philosophical Review.
Photo Era.
Physical Culture Magazine.
Physical Review.
Pittman's Journal.
Poet Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics.
Popular Science Monthly.
Power and the Egineer.
Practical Engineer.

Presbyterian Work in Mexico.
Princeton Theological Review.
Printer's Ink.
Progressive Printer.
Psychological Bulletin.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion.
Publisher's Circular.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Putnam's Monthly.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railroad Age Gazette.
Railway Post Office.
Razoo.
Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature.
Real Estate News.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
La Reou.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
Riverside.
Royal Blue.
St. John's Evangelist.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Evening Post.
Saturday Review.
School Arts Book.
School Education.
School Review.
Science.
Scientific America.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scrapbook.
Scribner's Magazine.
Sewanee Review.
Shoppell's Owners and Builders.
Single Tax Review.
South Atlantic Quarterly.
Spectator.
Spirit of Missions.
Steven's Institute Indicator.
Strand.
Studio.
Stuffed Club.
Suburban Life.
Success.
Sunday School Times.
Survey.
System.
Technical Index.
Technical World.
Technology Quarterly.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly.
Theosophic Messenger.
Theosophical Quarterly.
Theosophical Review.
Tilskueren.
Trained Nurse.
Traveller's Gazette.
Uber Land ünd Meer.
Unity.
Union Signal.
United Banker.
University of Chicago Magazine.
Velhagen und Klasings Monatshefte.
Western Architect.
Western Telephone Journal.
Western Underwriter.
Westerner.
Westminster Review.
Wide World Magazine.
Woman's Home Companion.
Woman's Journal.
Woodworker.
Work With Boys.
World To-day.
World's Chronicle.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS FOR THE YEAR 1909.

Atlanta Constitution.
[Baltimore] Sun.
Boston Evening Transcript.
Buffalo Commercial.
Chicago Record-Herald.
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Cincinnati Enquirer.
Cleveland Leader.
[Denver] Harpoon.
Denver Post.
Detroit Free Press.
Duluth Evening Herald.
Duluth Posten.
[Eureka] Tobacco Plains Journal.
[Gerard] Appeal to Reason.
Gilbert Herald.
[Helena] Montana Daily Record.
Kansas City Star.
Kansas City Times.
Kathryn Recorder.
[London] Times.
Los Angeles Herald.
[Louisville] Courier-Journal.
Milwaukee Sentinel.
[Minneapolis] Echo de l'Quest.
[Minneapolis] Progress.
Minneapolis Morning Tribune.
Minnetonka Record.
[New Orleans] Daily Picayune.
[New York] Irish World.
[New York] Evening Post.
[New York] Sun.
[New York] Times.
New York Tribune.
[New York] Wall Street Journal.
Omaha Daily Bee.
[Ortonville] Big Stone County Journal.
[Philadelphia] Public Ledger.
[Portland] Morning Oregonian.
St. Louis Globe Democrat.
[St. Paul] Appeal.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Dispatch.
[St. Paul] La Courier Franco American.
[St. Paul] Daily Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review.
St. Paul Tidende.
[St. Paul] Twin City Guardian.
[St. Paul] Ugebladet.
[St. Paul] Tagliche Volkszeitung.
San Francisco Chronicle.
Seattle Post-Intelligencer.
Shakopee Tribune.
Springfield Republican.
Washington Post.
[Washington] Evening Star.
West St. Paul Times.
White Bear Life.
Winnipeg Telegram.

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ROBERT E. OLDS, Vice President.
IRA C. OEHLER, Secretary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

JOHN D. O'BRIEN	Term Expires July 3, 1911
ELBERT A. YOUNG	Term Expires July 3, 1911
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E. W. BUCKLEY	Term Expires July 3, 1912
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F. A. FOGG	Term Expires July 3, 1913
FRANK J. CLEMANS	Term Expires July 3, 1913
JACOB DITTENHOFER	Term Expires July 3, 1913

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1910-1911.

BUILDING—Dittenhofer, Fogg, O'Brien.
LIBRARY—Ames, Buckley, Olds.
FINANCE—Buckley, Ames, Clemans.
ADMINISTRATION—Fogg, Olds, Koch.
BY-LAWS—O'Brien, Koch, Clemans.

March 1, 1911.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen: I transmit herewith for your consideration, twenty-ninth annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending December 31st, 1910.

Truly yours,

HERBERT P. KELLER,

Mayor.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of St. Paul.

Gentlemen: Herewith is submitted to your honorable body the twenty-ninth annual report of the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1910.

The report of the Librarian and the financial statement of the Secretary are also presented for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. YOUNG.
President.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

To the Board of Directors of the Saint Paul Public Library.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-ninth annual report of the Secretary of your Board, for the year ending December 31, 1910.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1, 1910, cash balance general fund	$15,140.19
1909 account	136.16
Tax Levy Certificates 1910 (80% of levy)	23,200.00
Receipts 1909 taxes	5,075.00
Rents from Library Building, heat and water	28,042.88
Fines	1,909.43
Finding lists	14.70
Lost cards	55.54
Postal cards	93.11
Lost books	83.65
Pay books	481.85
Total	$74,232.51

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	$25,810.95
Books and Periodicals	13,423.79
Binding	3,067.90
Cards, Library of Congress	379.22
Fuel	2,524.77
Electric light and power	4,030.12
Fire insurance premiums	2,812.71
Furniture and fixtures	2,556.19
Printing and stationery	1,495.36
Repair to building	1,677.04
Distributing stations	438.62
Water supply	237.45
Sundries	979.75
Total	$59,433.87
Cash balance general fund on Jan. 1, 1911	14,798.64
	$74,232.51

The standing of the several funds on Jan. 1, 1910, was as follows:

Cash balance general fund	$14,798.64
Balance Greenleaf Clark building fund	274.00
Securities Greenleaf Clark building fund, par value	31.000.00

Very respectfully,

IRA C. OEHLER.
Secretary.

Dated Saint Paul, Minn., February 23, 1911.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

To the Board of Directors of the St. Paul Public Library.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith the twenty-ninth annual report of the Librarian for the year ending December 31, 1910.

The most noticeable feature of the work the past year has been increase of the number of open shelf books. Previously only a small number had been kept on open shelves in the delivery room. The extent to which these books were used warranted increasing their number; accordingly, the large room beyond the elevator was suitably furnished and arranged for this purpose. The room was opened in July with 4,000 selected volumes, not as a reading or reference room, but simply that people may select for themselves the books they may be interested in.

This collection consists of books of biography, travel, essays, scientific books and in fact something on almost every subject, all of which have proved very popular with the public, biography, travels and essays taking the lead.

Books from the open shelf room are charged there, but all books are returned to the main delivery desk.

GROWTH OF THE LIBRARY.

The present number of volumes in the Library is 117,896, a net increase of 7,619 volumes during the year. The number of volumes bought was 10,474 and 1,349 donated. From the whole number of volumes added 2,673 were withdrawn from circulation on account of mutilation or being worn out.

Of the volumes withdrawn 1,080 were prose fiction, 1,408 juvenile books, literature 36, fine arts 18, foreign languages 75, and 56 in all other classes. Unable to collect from delinquent book borrowers 79 volumes; lost and paid for 103.

The following table shows the classification of the entire accessions of the year and the extent of each class:

	Total accessions of the year.	Net accessions of the year.	Total number of Volumes in Library.
General works	54	54	1,130
Philosophy	151	146	1,730
Religion	229	228	4,383
Sociology	568	555	5,977
Philology	24	20	1,279
Natural science	220	212	3,796
Useful arts	505	478	4,829
Fine arts	417	397	3,810
Literature	460	416	9,577
History	254	244	7,614
Travels	345	342	5,717
Biography	352	343	7,425
Prose fiction	1,872	706	16,207
Juvenile literature	2,189	733	16,300
Foreign literature	1,100	1,015	6,078
Periodicals	734	730	15,037
Government documents and state papers	1,000	1,000	7,007
	10,474	7,619	117,896

GIFTS.

The gifts of books and pamphlets received by the Library during the year numbered 1,349 and 1,306 respectively. The most noteworthy gift from any one person, consisted of 162 volumes of scientific books presented by Mrs. N. Lehnen from her late husband's library.

Following the order of former reports, a list of persons and institutions to which the Library has been indebted the past year is appended to this report.

REGISTRATIONS.

At the close of last year 42,040 readers were registered as borrowers. During the year there were 10,328 memberships canceled, the term of five years for which they were given having expired, and 7,489 new registrations. The present number of registrations in force is 39,201.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The Library has been open for the circulation of books 304 days. The total circulation was 389,288 volumes. These figures include the circulation from the main library, ordering stations, and the schools. Comparing these figures with the circulation of the previous year, it will be seen that there has been no gain in this department, but a decline in statistics.

Quoting from an article published in "Public Libraries" entitled "The Lure Away from the Library," in which several causes are somewhat humorously given, for what seems to be a general decline in circulation, the writer says, "'Good times' and the moving-picture show are almost unanimously held to be among the chief causes of the decrease in the demand for books. One correspondent, who fails to see why the decline should be so marked in the juvenile department of libraries, is answered that 'good times' mean more nickels for the children to spend at the peep-show, and hence fewer hours to devote to reading. Another writer asserts that the automobile is responsible for this slighting of the library; and it is not hard to admit that the man who, with be-goggled eyes, unsightly, tight-fitting cap, high-buttoned dust-coat, and with tense expression on his face, nervous dread in his attitude, and wearing that unmistakable automobilious look in his countenance, goes racing and honking through nature's garden, is hardly in a condition, mentally or physically, to find comfort or enjoyment in books."

While the general circulation is less, there has been a steady increase in the use of books other than fiction. The percentage of history and biography, travels, literature, and arts and science being considerably larger than last year.

The following is an account of money received for fines, pay books, etc.:

Fines	$1,942.71
Finding lists	16.50
Lost cards	83.76
Lost books	110.28
Reserve postals	49.39
Pay books	507.90
Total	$2,710.54

CLASSIFICATION OF THE CIRCULATION.

The classification of the books for home reading, showing the number and percentage of each class, is as follows:

	Volumes.	Per cent.
History and biography	10,104	2.60
Voyages and travels	5,157	1.32
Language	456	.12
Literature	13,661	3.51
Science and arts	22,576	5.80
Religion	3,351	.86
Miscellaneous	9,131	2.34
English prose fiction	177,268	45.54
Juvenile literature	72,249	18.56
Foreign languages	12,380	3.18
Schools and play-grounds	62,955	16.17
Total	389,288	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The record shows that 59,901 volumes were circulated through the stations. The largest number 12,742 volumes was issued by station F. University Ave.; the next largest by station K. Hamline, 11,185; followed by station B. Payne Ave., 10,000 volumes.

Station K. was moved twice during the year on account of the persons in charge going out of business. From Mrs. Hall's millinery store, 720 Snelling Ave., to T. W. Tasker's real estate office, 719 Snelling Ave. In October to George R. Barnhart's confectionery store, 1579 Minnehaha St., Miss A. E. Wright in charge.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The following table shows the use of books passing through the delivery stations:

Stations	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
A—Merriam Park	235	165	208	188	177	163	206	163	141	205	243	209	2,303
B—Payne Ave	1,024	935	1,048	920	791	979	810	810	748	581	814	550	10,010
C—West St. Paul	227	229	234	217	157	221	271	183	159	149	165	188	2,400
D—St. Anthony Ave	240	232	247	171	149	161	158	170	163	136	157	.....	1,984
E—Neighborhood House	1,439	1,015	869	601	329	.....	.....	.....	.....	899	1,184	898	7,234
F—University Ave	1,262	1,026	1,126	891	736	840	1,084	1,213	1,077	1,261	1,260	966	12,742
H—East Seventh St	463	508	633	622	648	616	656	651	654	631	631	647	7,180
I—Y. W. C. A	19	11	14	13	10	10	5	.....	6	3	5	.....	96
J—Macalester Park	535	477	548	536	417	383	350	439	356	356	370	.....	4,767
K—Hamline	1,085	1,006	1,053	1,082	788	.....	1,420	826	848	953	1,305	819	11,185
Total	6,529	5,604	5,980	5,241	4,202	3,373	4,960	4,455	4,152	5,174	6,134	4,097	59,901
Schools	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61,179
Vacation Schools	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	339
Playgrounds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,437
Total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	122,856

CLASSIFICATION AND CARD CATALOGUE.

Miss Annie A. Wood, head cataloguer, reports as follows on the work of the catalogue department:

The work of classification and cataloguing of new books has been, as for some years past, accompanied by that of the re-classification and re-cataloguing of the books still remaining under the old system.

About 28,966 catalogue cards have been written for the official catalogue, copied on the typewriter for the catalogue in the reference room, and duplicated in Library of Congress cards as far as possible for the catalogue in the delivery room. Printed cards cannot be obtained for all the books, although they are available for the great majority of those in the Library; for the remainder typewritten cards uniform in size are substituted.

Cards to the number of 21,500 have been received from the Library of Congress at a cost of $214.77. The Library is now in possession of a complete file of the catalogue of the Library of Congress, extremely useful for bibliographical and other purposes.

A catalogue case has been placed in the new Open Shelf room, containing author and title cards for all the books in that room, except the English fiction.

During the year Class-list No. 5, The Useful Arts, has been printed, also a select list of books on Birds, Insects and Nature Study.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

Miss Elizabeth Dennis, children's librarian, reports as follows on that department and on the work with the schools:

The work in the children's room has changed little in the past year. The endeavor here always is to make the room attractive, help the children in their reference work, and in their selection for general reading. 72,249 volumes were issued and the room was open to the public 304 days.

The school duplicate collection numbers 6,150 volumes. The first of Jan. 1910, 1,100 volumes were added, and there is still need of more books in the lower grades. The total home circulation through 33 schools was 61,179, a gain of 5,260 over the previous year.

In 10 schools some of the books were used in class rooms both by the teachers and by the children out of school hours, at recess and at odd times during sessions. The teachers report much help and pleasure from the books in this way, but it is difficult to make an exact report of books so used. The schools were visited four times during the year.

VACATION SCHOOLS.

From July 5, 1910, to July 29, 1910, 13 vacation schools were supplied with 650 books. In 8 schools the books were used only in class rooms; in the other 5 a few were lent in the homes, the total circulation being only 339. There is no report of use in class rooms.

PLAYGROUNDS.

July 1st, 1910, 300 books were sent to 3 playgrounds. These books were in use until Sept. 1st, 1910. The home circulation was 1,437. There is no record of the informal daily use of the books both in the playfields and under shelter, but the attendants state the largest use of the books was in this way, particularly the picture-books and easy reading matter. Each playground was visited once.

The Playground Association now maintains five playground centers provided with shelter houses, and a collection of books for each center is requested. As stated last year, the playgrounds open the first of May and do not close until the first of November, and it is impossible to make the same lending collection serve both schools and playgrounds.

The work with the playgrounds has become a permanent feature, and a collection of books fitted to the needs of playground centers which can be ready for use the first of May and kept at the playgrounds until the first of November is much needed.

REFERENCE ROOM.

Mrs. K. M. Beals, reference librarian, reports as follows on the work of the reference department:

The work of the reference department has progressed steadily and quietly. The entire attendance during the year has been on week-days 29,425, Sundays 2,602. Books on all kinds of technical subjects have been in demand. The debate still seems a popular form of study and amusement, and the attendants have been kept on the alert providing up to date material on such subjects as Municipal Government by Commission, Postal Savings Banks, Home-rule for Ireland and the Abolishment of the English House of Lords, with ever present discussion of Woman's Suffrage.

To provide a young girl freshman in the High School with suitable material on the question"Resolved, That a lawyer is justified in defending a murderer, even if he knows him to be guilty," required some research, while the question as to whether boys should be taught cooking and sewing in the New Mechanic Arts, was certainly a live one.

Among the "posers' that from time to time have been submitted during the last two or three months may be noted: "Something on the influence of the Crusaders on the Commerce of the United States." The young man who wished to write an oration on "Has Gov. Eberhard's course justified his election" was advised to wait for another year at least.

READING ROOM.

Miss Blanche McKown reports as follows on the current periodicals, of which she has charge:

The total number of serials in the reading room is 502. Of these 359 are periodicals by subscription and 81 by gift; 41 are newspapers by subscription and 21 by gift. No record of the use of serials is kept, as all are directly accessible to readers. There are 9 newspapers from St. Paul, 3 from Minneapolis, 1 from Canada, 1 from Frankfort, Germany, 1 from London, England, and the remainder from various large cities in the United States.

Periodicals are chosen not alone for their value for current use, but also with a view to their value as reference material.

By request of the owner, a valuable painting by Mr. John Banvard, a St. Paul artist, has been hung in the reading room, adding much to the attraction of the room.

Slip boxes containing paper and pencil have been placed on each table for the use of readers wishing to take notes. A new magazine rack has been added, making total rack space for 366 periodicals.

The approximate attendance for the year is 141,025, showing a gain of 7,116 over last year.

BINDING.

The number of miscellaneous books bound at the binderies was 6,183; periodicals, 687; repaired by attendants at the Library, 9,711. Magazines bound to circulate, 1,176.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. McCAINE,
Librarian.

St. Paul, December 31, 1910.

LIST OF DONATIONS, 1910.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Abbot, Dr. E. S. Waverley, Mass	2	...
Acheson Oildag Company, Niagara Falls, N. Y.	1	...
Aeronautic Society of New York	1	...
American Irish Historical Society, Providence, R. I.	1	...
American Political Science Association, Baltimore, Md.	1	...
American Prison Association, Washington, D. C.	...	89
American Telephone and Telegraph Co., New York City	3	1
Annan, C. L.	1	...
Apprentices' Library Co., Philadelphia, Pa.	...	1
Arnold, Allen, Boston, Mass	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Arkansas Geological Survey	10	...
Art Commission of New York City	1	...
Associated Charities, Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Associated Charities, St. Paul	...	1
Association of Life Insurance Presidents, New York City.	1	1
Atlanta Carnegie Library, Atlanta, Ga	...	1
Battersea Public Libraries, Battersea, Eng	...	1
Bibliographical Society of America	2	...
Board of Park Commissioners, Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Boston Museum of Fine Arts	1	1
Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass	1	2
Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, N. Y	...	1
Brown Alumni Monthly, Providence, R. I	1	...
Buffalo Public Library, Buffalo, N. Y	...	1
Bureau of Mines, Ontario	1	...
California State Mining Bureau	3	...
Carnegie Free Library, Allegheny, Pa	...	3
Carnegie Free Library, Braddock, Pa	...	1
Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, Pittsburgh, Pa	1	...
Carus, Dr. Paul	1	...
Casson, H. N., Pine Hill, N. Y	1	...
Charities Publication Committee, New York City	1	...
Chicago Peace Society	1	...
Chicago University	1	...
Cincinnati City Council, Cincinnati, O	...	1
Cincinnati Museum Association, Cincinnati, O	...	1
Clephane, Mrs. Lewis, Washington, D. C	1	...
Cole, Hon. Cornelius, San Francisco, Cal	1	...
Colorado State Board of Immigration	1	...
Colorado University, Boulder, Colo	...	2
Columbia University, New York City	1	...
Commandery of the State of Minnesota, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the U. S	1	...
Commissioner of New South Wales to World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Commonwealth Club, San Francisco, Cal	1	...
Concord Free Public Library, Concord, Mass	...	1
Confederate Memorial Literary Society, Richmond, Va	...	1
Connecticut State Geological and Natural History Survey	3	...
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y	1	...
Coyle, W. F. Baltimore, Md	1	...
Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H	1	...
Dayton Public Library and Museum, Dayton, O	...	1
Debar, Joseph, Cincinnati, O	1	...
Dennison, Mrs. E. W., Boston, Mass	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Department of the Interior, Canada	1	...
Des Moines City Council, Des Moines, Iowa	2	...
Detroit Public Library, Detroit, Mich	...	1
Dibble, Mrs. C. A.	1	...
District of Columbia, Washington, D. C	...	1
District of Columbia Public Library, Washington, D. C.	...	1
Dryden, John F., Newark, N. J	1	...
Durning-Lawrence, Sir Edwin, London, Eng	1	...
Dushaw, Rev. A. I., South St. Paul, Minn	1	...
Eau Claire Public Library, Eau Claire, Wis	...	2
Engineering Record, New York City	1	...
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md	...	1
Erie Public Library, Erie, Pa	...	1
Evanston Public Library, Evanston, Ill	...	1
Farnsworth, E. C., Portland, Me	1	...
Fidelity & Casualty Co., New York City	1	...
Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Ill	1	5
Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass	...	1
Foster, Rabbi Solomon, Newark, N. J	1	...
Franciscan Fathers, St. Paul, Minn	2	...
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa	...	1
Galesburg Free Public Library, Galesburg, Ill	...	1
Gordon, H. L., Los Angeles, Cal	2	...
Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn	...	1
Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.	3	...
Hawley, F. B.	1	...
Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, O	1	...
Hill, L. W.	3	...
Homan, Rev. J. A., Cincinnati, O	1	...
Horsburgh, James, Jr., San Francisco, Cal	1	...
Howard University Library, Cambridge, Mass	...	1
Hudson, R. P., Nashville, Tenn	1	...
Illinois Board of Public Charities, Springfield, Ill	1	...
Illinois Industrial School for Girls, Park Ridge, Ill	1	1
Illinois State Historical Society, Springfield, Ill	4	...
Illinois University, Urbana, Ill	7	13
Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa	...	2
International Union of American Republics	1	...
Interstate Commerce Commission	2	...
Iowa State University, Iowa City, Ia	2	...
Jersey City Free Public Library, Jersey City, N. J	...	1
John Crerar Library, Chicago, Ill	2	3
Johns Hopkins Press, Baltimore, Md	1	...
Joseph Fels Fund of America, Cincinnati, O	1	...
Kansas State Board of Agriculture	4	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Kellogg Public Library, Green Bay, Wis	...	1
Kobbe, W. H.	1	...
Lake Mohonk Conference	3	...
Lange, D.	4	...
Lehnen, Mrs. N.	162	...
Lewis, G. A., Detroit, Mich	1	...
Lexington Public Library, Lexington, Ky	...	1
Leyton Urban District Council Public Libraries, London, Eng.	...	1
Lincoln City Library, Lincoln, Neb	...	1
Lombard, Louis, Lugano, Switzerland	2	...
Los Angeles Public Library, Los Angeles, Cal	...	1
Louisville Public Library, Louisville, Ky	...	1
Lummis, Charles F., Los Angeles, Cal	1	...
Lynn Public Library, Lynn, Mass	...	1
Malden Public Library, Malden, Mass	...	1
Mankato Public Library, Mankato, Minn	...	1
Means, James, Boston, Mass.	3	...
Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco, Cal	...	1
Mercantile Library Association, St. Louis, Mo	...	1
Michigan State Board of Health	2	4
Michigan University, Ann Arbor, Mich	1	1
Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce	1	...
Minneapolis Executive Department	1	...
Minneapolis Public Library, Minneapolis, Minn	4	2
Minnesota Academy of Natural Science	7	...
Minnesota Bureau of Labor, Industries and Commerce	1	...
Minnesota Department of Public Instruction	1	...
Minnesota Fire Marshal	2	...
Minnesota Forestry Commission	2	...
Minnesota Legislative Department	7	...
Minnesota Soldiers' Home, Minneapolis, Minn	1	...
Minnesota State Board of Control	4	...
Minnesota State Board of Corrections and Charities	5	...
Minnesota State Highway Commission	...	4
Minnesota University, Minneapolis, Minn	13	20
Minnesota University, Agricultural Experiment Station, St. Anthony Park	...	13
Mississippi Valley Historical Association	2	...
Missouri University, School of Mines and Metallurgy, Rolla, Mo.	1	...
Moffat, R. B., New York City	1	...
Monongah Mines Relief Committee, Monongah, W. Va.	1	...
Moon, J. H., Fallsington, Pa	1	...
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass	1	1

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Mowry, D. E., Madison, Wis	1	...
Municipal Commission on Tuberculosis, St. Louis, Mo.	1	...
National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C.	1	...
National Association of Railway Surgeons	2	...
National Child Labor Committee, New York City	4	...
National Conservation Association of U. S.	9	...
National Education Association	5	...
National Geographic Society	1	...
National Irrigation Congress	3	...
National Lumber Manufacturers' Association	1	...
National Society for the Promotion of Industrial Education, New York City	...	2
Nebraska Agricultural Experiment Station, Lincoln, Neb.	...	8
Nebraska University, Lincoln, Neb.	2	...
Neighborhood House, St. Paul	...	1
New York Peace Society, New York City	1	...
New York State College of Agriculture, Ithaca, N. Y.	...	2
New York State Hospital for Crippled and Deformed Children, Haverstraw, N. Y.	2	1
New York State Water Supply Commission	3	...
New Zealand Department of Tourist and Health Resorts	2	...
Newark City Council, Newark, N. J.	...	2
Newton Free Library, Newton, Mass.	...	1
North Dakota Geological Survey	2	...
North Dakota State Agricultural College, Fargo, N. D.	2	...
Northwestern Miller, Minneapolis, Minn.	1	...
Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.	2	...
Oakland Free Library, Oakland, Cal.	...	1
Ohio University, Athens, O.	1	...
Ontario Bureau of Mines, Ontario, Canada	2	...
Osaka Library, Osaka, Japan	...	1
Peoria Public Library, Peoria, Ill.	...	2
Peterboro Town Council, Peterboro, N. H.	...	1
Philadelphia City Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.	...	1
Philadelphia Free Library, Philadelphia, Pa.	...	1
Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, N. H.	...	1
Playground Association of America, New York City	56	...
Porto Rico Agricultural Experiment Station	...	1
Providence Athenaeum, Providence, R. I.	...	1
Providence Public Library, Providence, R. I.	...	2
Queen's Borough Public Library, New York City	...	1
Republic, St. Louis, Mo.	1	...
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y.	...	2
Robertson, W. F., Victoria, B. C.	1	...
Root, Charles T., New York City	1	...

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Rosenberg Library, Galveston, Texas	...	2
Rudy, Dr. A., Raleigh, N. C	1	...
Sagamore Sociological Conference	1	...
St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, Mo	...	2
St. Paul Chamber of Commerce	4	...
St. Paul City Council	1	...
St. Paul College of Law	1	1
St. Paul Executive Department	2	...
St. Paul Playground Association	...	2
St. Paul Seminary	1	...
St. Paul Theosophical Society	14	...
Salem Public Library, Salem, Mass	...	1
San Francisco Public Library, San Francisco, Cal	...	1
Starboro, A., San Francisco, Cal	1	...
School Committee, Lawrence, Mass.	1	...
Schott, Charles J., Seattle, Wash	1	...
Scranton Public Library, Scranton, Pa	...	1
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash	...	2
Settlement Association of Houston, Tex	1	...
Shepherd Memorial Committee, Washington, D. C	1	...
Silk Association of America, New York City	4	...
Sioux City Public Library, Sioux City, Ia	...	1
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C	69	29
Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Ohio, Cincinnati, Ohio	1	1
Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, New York City	1	...
Southwest Society of the Archaelogical Society of America, Los Angeles, Cal.	2	...
Soyez-Le Roy, Madame, Lille, France	1	...
Springfield City Council, Springfield, Mass	1	...
Springfield City Library Association, Springfield, Mass	...	2
State Librarian of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa	1	...
Steele, Mrs. G. W., Pasadena, Cal	1	...
Steiger, Ernst, New York City	1	...
Still College of Osteopathy, Des Moines, Iowa	1	...
Sun, The, Baltimore, Md.	1	...
Survey, New York City	1	...
Syracuse Public Library, Syracuse, N. Y.	...	1
Texas University, Austin, Texas	1	...
Toledo Public Library, Toledo, Ohio	...	1
Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky	1	...
Union University, Schenectady, N. Y.	2	...
United States Brewers' Association, New York City	7	...
United States Centennial Commission, 1876	9	...

	Books.	Pamphlets
United States Civil Service Commission	8	...
United States Department of Agriculture	215	938
United States Department of Commerce and Labor	70	14
United States Department of Justice	20	...
United States Department of State	19	...
United States Interior Department	172	34
United States Legislative Department	41	...
United States Library of Congress	8	...
United States National Academy of Sciences	1	...
United States Navy Department	13	...
United States Patent Office	2	...
United States Signal Service	1	...
United States Superintendent of Documents	...	1
United States Treasury Department	80	24
United States War Department	105	3
Vanderhoof, Herbert, Winnipeg, Man	1	...
Vermont University and State Agricultural College, Burlington, Vt.	2	...
Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va	1	...
Vivisection Reform Society, Chicago, Ill	1	...
Washburn Memorial Orphan Asylum, Minneapolis, Minn	...	1
Western Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill	1	1
Wilmington Institute, Wilmington, Del.	...	1
Windsor Public Library, Windsor, Canada	...	1
Woburn Public Library, Woburn, Mass	...	1
Woman's Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Philadelphia, Pa.	...	1
Woods, H. E., Boston, Mass.	1	...
Worcester Free Library, Worcester, Mass	...	1
Young Churchman, Milwaukee, Wis.	1	...
Total	1,349	1,306

LIBRARY FUND.

JANUARY, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3353—Otto Bremer, City Treas	Payroll, December, 1909	$2,066.75
3354—Frank Alverdes Co	Binding magazines, December, 1909	194.65
3355—Waldorf Bindery Co	Binding books, Dec. 31, 1909	32.75
3356—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Nov. 2 to 26, 1909	182.59
3357—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Nov. 27, 1909	195.35

Warrant No.		
4458—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Nov. 27, 1909	$146.30
3359—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Nov. 23, 1909	168.35
3360—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	172.65
3361—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	188.50
3362—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	181.40
3363—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	162.85
3364—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	163.41
3365—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	174.50
3366—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	143.02
3367—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	84.25
3368—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, December, 1909	197.69
3369—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, December, 1909	193.38
3370—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1909	78.46
3371—The MacMillan Co.	Books, Nov. 24, 1909	1.47
3372—Arthur H. Clark Co.	History of American Industrial Society, Dec. 18, 1909	8.00
3373—American Art Annual	2 copies "Art Education in the Public Schools of the United States," Dec. 18, 1909	7.00
3374—Guy H. Shaver	5 vols. Stationery Engineering books, Dec. 1909	9.00
3375—F. A. Brockhaus	Books, Sept. 17, 1909	1.55
3376—Francis R. Niglutsch	Books, Dec. 28, 1909	4.00
3377—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Fuel, December, 1909	503.91
3378—N. W. Fuel Co.	Fuel, Nov. 2, 1909	15.81
3379—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of December, 1909	485.59
3380—Nimis & Nimis	Electrical sundries, Dec. 29, 1909	65.69
3381—F. G. Leslie Co.	Toilet paper, Dec. 17, 1909	5.00
3382—Maendler Bros.	Brushes, Dec. 4, 1909	5.25

Warrant No.		
3383—F. R. Mann & Son	Sandpaper, varnish, etc., Nov. 12 to Dec. 31, 1909	$6.95
3384—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co.	Cement, pick, cups, etc., Dec. 16 to 24, 1909	10.76
3385—F. J. Romer Construction Co.	Labor and material furnished for shelving under Juvenile Dept. etc., Nov. 29 to Dec. 30, 1909	77.30
3386—N. W. Electric Equipment Co.	Fuse plug and lamps, Nov. 24 to Dec. 30, 1909	32.54
3387—Thomas Finn	Repairs to roof, etc., May 14 to Dec. 14, 1909	20.08
3388—A. Marzolf	Ruby oil, gasoline, etc., Oct. 6 to Dec. 24, 1909	5.07
3389—Capitol City Furniture Co.	Padlocks, keys, etc., Aug. 10 to Dec. 21, 1909	134.00
3390—Randall Printing Co.	Printed cards, forms, etc., Dec. 10 to 28, 1909	129.00
3391—McClaine & Gray	Stationery, Dec. 1 to 10, 1909	15.99
3392—Library of Congress	Library cards, Nov. 30, 1909	89.61
3393—Library Bureau	Cards, printed book pockets, Nov. 27 to Dec. 1, 1909	46.00
3394—N. W. Telephone Exchange Company	Service for month of January, 1910	4.50
3395—Tri-State Telephone Co.	Service for months of Dec. 1909 and Jan. 1910	10.00
3396—Elk Laundry Co.	Toilet service, Dec. 1909	2.50
3397—American District Telegraph Company	Night watch service, Nov. and Dec. 1909	9.00
3398—People's Ice Co.	Ice, Oct. 1 to Nov. 1, 1909	4.00
3399—Miss Clara Kellogg	Circulating 1220 vols. in November, 1909; 1,096 vols. in Dec. 1909	23.16
3400—Victor C. Sundberg	Circulating 739 vols. in November, 1909; 652 vols. in December, 1909	13.91
3401—Miss Nellie A. Hall	Circulating 859 vols. in Nov. 1909; 841 vols. in December, 1909	17.00
3402—John W. Nelson	Circulating 989 vols. in November, 1909	9.89
Total for month of January, 1910		$6,500.38

FEBRUARY, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3403—Otto Bremer, City Treas.	Payroll, January, 1910	$2,104.00
3404—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, Jan., 1910	128.70
3405—F. Alverdes Co.	Binding books, Jan., 1910	121.35
3406—Gaylord Bros.	Gummed and silk finish cloth, Jan. 15, 1910	2.70
3407—Wm. Abbatt	No. 8 Magazine of History, Dec. 15, 1909	1.80
3408—W. H. Wilson Co.	1 copy Children's Catalog, Dec. 31, 1909	6.00
3409—The Boston Book Co.	Books, Jan. 3, 1910	5.63
3410—Lemcke & Buechner	Books, Jan. 2, 1910	4.50
3411—National Educational Assn.	Copy of proceedings, Denver Convention, July, 1909	2.00
3412—F. R. Niglutsch	Vol. IX Bible Story, Jan. 27, 1910	4.00
3413—A. C. McClurg & Co.	1 Murray English Dictionary, Jan. 31, 1910	.69
3414—National German-American Bank, draft for Francis Edwards	Proceedings of the Society for Psychical Research, Dec. 13, 1909	3.68
3415—The International Bureau of American Republic	1 handbook—Chile, Jan. 14, 1910	1.00
3416—The N. Y. Botanical Garden	Vols. 2-3-4 Memoirs, Jan. 15, 1910	6.00
3417—G. Bros Van Dort Co.	8 vols. Deutsche Kunst & Dekoration, Jan. 10, 1910	32.40
3418—Alfred A. Goldschmidt	Books, Feb. 1, 1910	173.90
3419—E. W. Porter	Books, Dec. 1 to Feb. 1, 1910	394.95
3420—John W. Nelson	Circulating 813 vols. in Dec. 1909	8.13
3421—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of January, 1910	466.23
3422—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Coal, Dec. 30, 1909, to Jan. 29, 1910	475.36
3423—Board of Water Comm'rs	Water for months of Dec., 1909, and January, 1910	34.75
3424—Hennepin Hardware Co.	Sanitary sweeping compound, Jan. 14, 1910	10.00
3425—N. W. Electric Equipment Co.	Electrical sundries, Jan. 21 to 31, 1910	11.79
3426—Elk Laundry Co.	Toilet supply, Jan. 1910	2.50

Warrant No.		
3427—Western Union Telegraph Company	Time service, Jan., Feb., March, 1910	$3.00
3428—Tri-State Telegraph & Telephone Co.	Service for February 1910	5.00
3429—Randall Printing Co	Paper, printing lists, etc., Jan. 20 to 25, 1910	105.75
3430—McClain & Gray Co	Stationery, Dec. 27 to Feb. 1, 1910	14.49
3431—Library Bureau	Binders for magazines, buff cards, etc., Dec. 28, 1909 to January 7, 1910	184.00
3432—H. J. McCaine	Money advanced for incidentals, Jan., 1910	55.53
3433—The People's Express & Storage Co.	Drayage, Dec. 6 to 31, 1909	11.25
Total for month of February, 1910		$4,381.08

MARCH, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3434—Otto Breimer, City Treas	Payroll, February, 1910	$2,178.55
3435—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, Feb., 1910, Juvenile Dept	107.35
3436—F. Alverdes Co	Binding books, Feb., 1910	139.10
3437—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Feb. 17 to 26, 1910	115.47
3438—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Jan. 25 to Feb. 19, 1910	196.68
3439—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Jan. 3 to Jan. 14, 1910	167.29
3440—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Jan. 8 to 27, 1910	174.42
3441—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Jan. 21 to 25, 1910	163.50
3442—Geo. F. Cram	1 copy American Railway System Atlas, Feb. 16, 1910	12.50
3443—C. Bros Van Dort Co	Books, March 1, 1910	31.50
3444—W. H. Reed & Co	8 vols. History of Scotland, Feb. 18, 1910	28.00
3445—The Archives Publishing Co.	1 copy Souvenirs of the Past, Feb. 2, 1910	2.00
3446—Ernst Wasmuth	German books, Dec. 30, 1909	1.45

Warrant No.		
3447—Randall Printing Co.	Ruled cards and postal cards, Feb. 17 to 23, 1910	$24.75
3448—Harry Franks	1 copy Grau's Publication "40 Years' Observation of Music and the Drama," Feb. 11, 1910	4.00
3449—American Law Book Co.	Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure, Vol. 34, Feb. 14, 1910	6.00
3450—The H. W. Wilson Co.	Binding 1 January, 1910, index in half morocco, Feb. 10, 1910	1.00
3451—Pioneer Co.	Binding 3 vols. Pioneer Press, 1909, Feb. 9, 1910	10.00
3452—E. W. Porter	Books, Feb. 3 to 25, 1910	434.56
3453—Houghton-Mifflin Co.	1 set Concord Emerson, Feb. 17, 1910	19.95
3454—Clara Kellogg	Circulating 1,439 vols. in Jan., 1,015 vols. in Feb., 1910	24.54
3455—Nellie A. Hall	Circulating 1,085 vols. in Jan., 1,006 vols. in Feb., 1910	21.11
3456—John W. Nelson	Circulating 1,262 vols. in January, 1910	12.62
3458—Library Bureau	Buff cards, Jan. 17 to 28, 1910	30.72
3459—Stanchfield & Co.	Printed forms, Jan. 21, 1910	3.25
3460—W. A. Lang	Insurance premium (plate glass), Jan. 3, 1910	6.90
3461—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of February, 1910	426.74
3462—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Coal, Feb. 1 to 26, 1910	468.81
3463—Woven Steel Hose & Rubber Company	Braided Valve Stem Packing, Jan. 28, 1910	1.25
3464—Magie Bros.	Special No. 1 Ideal Engine Oil Can, Jan. 13, 1910	4.25
3465—J. G. Robertson	Brooms, mops, saw, etc., Feb. 24, 1910	9.80
3466—Bd. of Water Comm'rs	Water for Feb. 1910	16.70
3467—N. W. Telephone Exchange Company	Service for month of Feb., 1910	4.00
3468—American District Telegraph Company	Night watch service, Jan., 1910	4.50

Warrant No.		
3469—T. E. King & Son	Plumbing repairs, Dec. 1 to 18, 1909	$15.35
3470—Elk Laundry Co.	Service for February, 1910	2.50
3471—Zimmermann Bros.	1 18-inch Dandy Trimmer, Jan. 21, 1910	2.25
3472—Fisher Paper Box Co	Boxes, Jan. 31, 1910	4.50
3473—William Abbatt	No. 9 Magazine of History, Feb. 19, 1910	3.00
Total for month of March, 1910		$4,880.86

APRIL, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3474—Otto Bremer, City Treas.	Payroll, March, 1910	$2,099.65
3475—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, March 8 to 11, 1910	197.76
3476—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, March 22 to 29, 1910	164.58
3477—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, Jan. 28 to 26, March 2, 5, 8, 1910	189.86
3478—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, March 28, 1910	195.31
3479—F. Alverdes Co.	Binding books, etc., April 4th, 1910	111.35
3480—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding magazines, etc., April 4, 1910	108.55
3481—E. W. Porter	Books, March 14 to 31, 1910	411.61
3482—American Art Annual	Copy "American Art Annual," Vol. VII, March 31, 1910	5.25
3483—P. F. Collier	33 Vols. Harvard Classics, April 1, 1910	72.60
3484—The H. W. Wilson Co.	Books, March 22 to 30, 1910	4.25
3485—The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company	1 copy of "Heraldry in America," Feb. 25, 1910	5.00
3486—R. L. Polk & Co.	N. W. Gazetteer 1910	8.00
3487—R. R. Bowker	Trowell, "Profession of Bookselling," part 11, Feb. 8, 1910	2.11
3488—Lemcke & Buechner	Books, Dec. 30, 1909, March 19, 1910	16.19
3489—Robert Appleton & Co.	Vol. VII, The Catholic Encyclopedia, March 23, 1910	8.00

Warrant No.		
3490—A. C. McClurg & Co.	Vol. VII, History of the U. S., March 18, 1910	$2.49
3491—Arthur H. Clark & Co.	Two Vols. Documentary History of American Industrial Society, March 9, 1910	8.00
3492—American Law Book Co.	1910 Cyc. Annotations, March 28, 1910	6.60
3493—Clara Kellogg	Circulating 869 vols. in March 1910, Station "E"	8.69
3494—John W. Nelson	Circulating 1,026 vols. in Feb., 1,126 vols. in March, 1910, Station "F"	21.52
3495—Victor C. Sundberg	Circulating 1,024 vols. in January, 935 vols. in Feb., 1,048 vols. in March, 1910, Station "B"	30.07
3496—Nellie A. Hall	Circulating 1,053 vols. in March, 1910	10.53
3497—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of March, 1910	390.66
3498—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Coal, March 1 to 22, 1910	240.98
3499—F. J. Romer Construction Co.	Bulletin board, table, wall shelving, etc., March 12, 1910	17.00
3500—Library Bureau	Files, shelf labels, Feb. 12 to 22, March 18, 1910	167.50
3501—Gaylord Bros	Pamphlet binders, March 2, 1910	3.85
3502—Library of Congress	Catalogue cards and proof sheets, Feb. 28, 1910	143.22
3503—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery, Feb. 9 to March 23, 1910	15.17
3504—People's Express Co.	Drayage, Jan. 3 to Feb. 8, 1910	14.75
3505—American Dist. Telegraph Co.	Night watch service, February, 1910	4.50
3506—Elk Laundry Co.	Toilet service, March, 1910	2.50
3507—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co.	Service for March and April, 1910	10.00
3508—N. W. Telephone Exchange Company	Service for month of March and April 1910	4.00
3509—F. G. Leslie Co.	Toilet paper, Feb. 17, 1910	10.00
3510—N. W. Electric Equipment Company	Electrical sundries, Feb. 26 to March 3, 1910	10.02

Warrant No.		
3511—Maendler Bros.	Dusters, March 21, 1910	$3.75
3512—Western Supply Co.	Classes, disc, etc., March 2, 10, 17, 1910	3.27
3513—Lee & Hoff Mfg. Co.	New hand cables on elevator, Feb. 12, 1910	12.30
3514—J. G. Robertson	Valve, screw, etc., March 18, 1910	16.35
3515—West Publishing Co.	1 set of Century Dictionary, 2 vols., April 5, 1910	14.25
3516—Board of Water Comm'rs	Water for month of March, 1910	17.60
3517—J. E. Krantz	Pictures mounted and framed, March 15, 1910	8.05
3518—Helen J. McCaine	Money advanced for incidentals, Feb. and March, 1910	72.31
3519—H. S. Whipple	(Greenleaf Clark Fund)	506.33
Total for month of April, 1910		$4,870.00

MAY, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3520—Otto Bremer, City Treas.	Pay roll for month of April, 1910	$2,080.40
3521—R. R. Bowker	Annual Literary Index 1909, Bowker's State Publications, Feb. 28, April 18, 1910	17.00
3522—The Kelly Publishing Co.	1 copy Kelly's Customs and Tariffs of the World, 1910	16.00
3523—A. C. McClurg & Co.	1 Duckwell—Canning and Preserving, March 22, 1910	4.30
3524—The Boston Book Co.	Books, March 21, April 8, 1910	104.40
3525—Charles Scribner Sons	2 vols. F. Hopkinson Smith, April 26, 1910	3.00
3526—Dispatch Printing Co.	Subscription for 52 weeks from Jan. 1, 1910, to Jan. 1, 1911	5.20
3527—E. W. Porter	Books, April 18, 1910	32.32
3528—P. Wytsman	Books, March 2, 1910	12.60
3529—The St. Michael's Press	Dictionary of the Navaho Language, April 29, 1910	5.00
3530—F. Alverdes Co.	Binding magazines, May 2, 1910	173.40
3531—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, May 2, 1910	108.30

Warrant No.		
3532—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery, March 30 to April 26, 1910	$16.75
3533—The Randall Printing Co.	Blank forms, etc., March 15 to April 26, 1910	48.50
3534—F. V. Garland Co.	2 bags, March 18, 1910	4.25
3535—N. W. Stamp Works	Stamps, etc., March 14, April 21, 1910	6.99
3536—Library Bureau	Trays, guides, etc., March 28 to April 2, 1910	146.98
3537—Western Union Telegraph Co.	Time service for April, May and June, 1910	3.00
3538—American Dist. Telegraph Company	Night watch service, March, 1910	4.50
3539—N. W. Telephone Exchange Company	Exchange service for month of May, 1910	2.00
3540—Maendler Bros.	Floor brush, April 8, 1910	4.50
3541—Frank C. Friedman	Disinfectant, etc., April 21, 22, 1910	4.10
3542—J. H. Allen & Co.	Wash powder, soap, etc., Feb. 10, March 19, 1910	14.70
3543—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co.	Graphite, valves, etc, Jan. 5 to 21, 1910	10.38
3544—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Coal, April 16 to 30, 1910	109.14
3545—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of April, 1910	326.98
3546—Western Supply Co.	Cement, graphite, etc., March 28, April 16-26, 1910	2.85
3547—Elk Laundry Co.	Toilet service for month of April, 1910	2.50
3548—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, April 2 to 25, 1910	186.57
3549—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, April 4-23-27, 1910	154.80
3550—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, April 15, 1910	117.69
Total for month of May, 1910		$3,725.01

JUNE, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3551—Otto Bremer, City Treas.	Pay roll for month of May, 1910	$2,122.96
3552—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, May 31, 1910	183.00

Warrant No.		
3553—A. C. McClurg Co.	1 Murray Dictionary, May 6, 1910	$1.29
3554—Chas. P. Kelly	Books, May 7, 1910	65.80
3555—William C. Pope	History of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota, May 9, 1910	1.50
3556—The Boston Book Co.	Books, April, 1910	80.49
3557—Willard V. King, Treas.	1 copy supplementary papers of the School in Rome, May 10, 1910	3.31
3558—William Abbatt	No. 10 Magazine of History, May 14, 1910	1.85
3559—Keramic Studio Pub. Co.	Books, May 9, 1910	10.50
3560—B. F. Remington	Book, April 14, 1910	2.00
3561—The Idem Publishing Co.	Tissot's New Testament, May 9, 1910	16.00
3562—L. C. Oakes, Mngr.	1 set Bible Stories, May 24, 1910	4.25
3563—National Municipal League	1 copy proceedings Chicago and New York Conference, May 11, 1910	10.00
3564—R. R. Bowker	American Catalog, 1909, English Catalog, 1909, April 26, 1910	4.50
3565—The Hudson Pub. Co.	1 copy "A Half Century of Minneapolis," May 12, 1910	12.00
3566—D. O'Halloran	History of the Jesuits, April 6, 1910	4.50
3567—Library of Congress	Catalogue cards, May 16, 1910	55.06
3568—Library Bureau	Oak trays, March 28, 1910	2.25
3569—Percy W. Parker	Premium, insurance covering books and personal property, May 23, 1910	480.00
3570—L. I. Casserly	Premium, insurance covering furniture and fixtures, May 23, 1910	120.00
3571—Fletcher & Stephenson	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	120.00
3572—W. A. Lang, Agt.	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	360.00
3573—Hughson & Whitacre	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	360.00
3574—Strickland-Doolittle Co.	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	360.00

Warrant No.		
3575—Warner & Regensdorf	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	$120.00
3576—J. Quincy Haas & Co.	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	240.00
3577—Joseph A. Rogers	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	120.00
3578—D. D. Smith	Insurance premium, May 23, 1910	120.00
3579—The Pioneer Co.	Blank forms, April 28-31, 1910	6.50
3580—E. W. Porter	Books, May 11, 1910	346.95
3581—Maendler Bros.	Brush and poles, May 12, 1910	5.15
3582—F. R. Mann & Son	Alcohol, bronzing liquid, etc., Feb. 2 to April 29, 1910	8.20
3583—Hennepin Hardware Co.	Sweeping compound, Feb. 21, 1910	10.00
3584—Western Machine Mfg. Co.	Repairs, Dec. 31, 1909	1.00
3585—Standard Oil Co.	Grease, April 18, 1910	.71
3586—Northwestern Electric Equipment Co.	Globes, batteries, etc., April 9-13-27, 1910	4.79
3587—Paul L. Chapel	Plumbing repairs, May 28, 1910	4.50
3588—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co.	Rubber tubing, valves, etc., May 4, 1910	2.43
3589—Nimis & Nimis	Electrical sundries, April 30 to May 18, 1910	4.95
3590—Mannheimer Bros.	Cork carpet, April 25, 1910	33.60
3591—M. J. Hartigan	New floor and stair railing, book cases, etc., April 22, 1910	124.80
3592—Thomas Finn	Repairing roof, March 1-14, 1910	21.20
3593—Schroeder & Co.	Repairing window shades, May 12, 1910	5.95
3594—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of May, 1910	281.49
3595—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Coal, April 30 to May 17, 1910	45.87
3596—Board of Water Comm'rs	Water for months of April and May, 1910	35.55
3597—American District Tel. Co.	Night watch service, April, 1910	4.50
3598—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co.	Service for May, 1910	5.00

Warrant No.		
3599—Elk Laundry Co.	Toilet service for May, 1910	$2.50
3600—People's Express Co.	Drayage, March 1 to April 13, 1910	9.50
3601—H. J. McCaine	Money advanced for incidentals, April and May, 1910	72.93
3602—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery, May 11-18, 1910	3.30
Total for month of June, 1910		$6,022.63

JULY, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3603—S. A. Farnsworth, City Treas.	Pay roll, June, 1910	$2,149.90
3604—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, May, 1910	134.81
3605—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, June, 1910	195.20
3606—Waldorf Bindery Co.	Binding periodicals, March and May, 1910	165.75
3607—Waldorf Bindery Co.	Binding periodicals, April and June, 1910	117.60
3608—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	195.29
3609—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, May, 1910	166.23
3610—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, May, 1910	183.51
3611—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, May, 1910	167.65
3612—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	197.95
3613—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	198.63
3614—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	172.43
3615—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	171.38
3616—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	101.08
3617—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	100.00
3618—Dispatch Printing Co.	Subscription to Dispatch-Pioneer Press for 1 year from Jan. 1, 1910, to Jan. 1, 1911	5.20
3619—Lemke & Buechner	German books, June, 1910	16.79
3620—Knauth, Nachod & Kuhne	Books, May, 1910	1.64
3621—D. Anderson	Books, June, 1910	16.60

Warrant No.		
3622—The Arthur H. Clark Co.	History of American Industrial Society, June, 1910	$8.00
3623—O G. Waffle	Year book for 1908-1909	9.00
3624—The Boston Book Co.	Books, May, 1910	45.00
3625—Library of Congress	Catalogue cards, June, 1910	91.33
3626—Gaylord Bros.	Pamphlet binders, June, 1910	4.52
3627—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery supplies, Jan., June, 1910	10.00
3628—Randall Printing Co.	Printed forms, May, 1910	74.75
3629—Stanchfield & Co.	Printed forms, June, 1910	3.50
3630—N. W. Stamp Works	Special bands on daters, May, 1910	3.85
3631—N. W. Electric Equipment Co.	Electrical sundries, May, June, 1910	1.10
3632—John D. Roberts	Installing ventilating apparatus, April, 1910	722.15
3633—F. R. Mann & Son	Alcohol, paint, etc., May, June, 1910	17.83
3634—Viscosity Oil Co.	Cylinder oil, etc., June, 1910	10.50
3635—Western Supply Co.	Plugs, bushing, etc., May, 1910	3.44
3636—The People's Ice Co.	Ice, April, May, 1910	7.35
3637—F. G. Leslie Co.	Toilet paper, May, 1910	10.00
3638—Nimis & Nimis	Electrical supplies, etc., June, 1910	18.18
3639—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electrical current for month of June, 1910	198.16
3640—Tri-State Telegraph & Telephone Co.	Service for June, 1910	5.00
3641—N. W. Telephone Exchange Company	Service for month of June, 1910	2.00
3642—American District Telegraph Company	Night watch service, May, 1910	4.50
3643—Board of Water Comm'rs.	Water for month of June, 1910	19.90
3644—Wm. B. Joyce & Co.	Insurance premium, May, 1910	120.00
3645—J. W. Nelson	Circulating 891 vols. in April, 736 vols. in May, 1910	16.27
3646—Victor Sundberg	Circulating 920 vols. in April, 791 vols. in May, 1910	17.11

Warrant No.		
3647—Clara Kellogg	Circulating 601 vols. in April, 329 vols. in May, 1910	$9.30
3648—Nellie E. Hall	Circulating 1082 vols. in April, 788 vols. in May, 1910	18.70
Total for month of July, 1910		$5,909.08

AUGUST, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3650—S. A. Farnsworth, City Treas.	Salaries for July, 1910	$2,203.26
3651—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, magazines, etc., August, 1910	91.40
3652—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, magazines, etc., August, 1910	148.00
3653—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, magazines, etc., August, 1910	140.40
3654—Frank Alverdes Co.	Binding books, magazines, etc., August, 1910	198.75
3655—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, July, 1910	145.53
3656—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, June, 1910	167.02
3657—E. W. Porter	Books, July, 1910	18.84
3658—American Law Book Co.	The Cyclopedia of Law and Procedure, Vol. 35, July, 1910	6.00
3659—Moody Manual Co.	Manual Service, 1910 edition, June, 1910	12.00
3660—The McClure Co.	Vols. 11, 12, 13, Burton Holmes Travels, July, 1910	10.83
3661—A. C. McClurg Co.	1 Murray Dictionary, July, 1910	1.29
3662—The H. W. Wilson Co.	Book index, etc., June, July, 1910	9.25
3663—W. H. Read & Co.	1 vol. Larned's History, July, 1910	6.00
3664—The Macmillan Co.	Dictionary of Music, July, 1910	4.50
3665—Lemke & Buechner	German books, June, July, 1910	1.60
3666—F. J. Romer Construction Co.	Making doors, book case, etc., May, June, 1910	95.95

Warrant No.		
3667—Library Bureau	Spring binders, printed labels, etc., June, July, 1910	$134.00
3668—Randall-Ford Company	Printed forms, June, July, 1910	120.25
3669—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery supplies, June, July, 1910	19.09
3670—H. J. McCaine	Money advanced for incidentals for June and July, 1910	125.52
3671—Review Publishing Co.	Extra copies of anual report for year 1908, March, 1910	25.00
3672—People's Express & Storage Company	Drayage, June, 1910	49.00
3673—N. W. Telephone Exchange Company	Service for months of July and August, 1910	4.00
3674—Tri-State Telephone & Telegraph Co.	Service for months of July and August, 1910	10.00
3675—American District Telegraph Company	Night watch service, June, time service July, August and September, 1910	7.50
3676—Elk Laundry Co.	Toilet service, June, 1910	2.50
3677—Board of Water Comm'rs	Water for month of July, 1910	19.60
3678—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Electric current for month of July, 1910	178.31
3679—Pope Chemical Co.	Sweeping compound, May, 1910	4.00
3680—J. G. Robertson	Cotton mops, etc., July, 1910	14.45
3681—Mannheimer Bros.	Acme mat, June, 1910	9.69
3682—F. G. Leslie Co.	Toilet paper, July, 1910	10.00
3683—Jones & Dunn	Insurance premium, May, 1910	120.00
3684—The Boston Book Co.	Books, June, July, 1910	24.01
3685—R. L. Polk & Co.	City Directory, July, 1910	7.00
3686—Victor Sundberg	Circulating 979 vols. in June and 810 vols. in July, 1910	17.89
Total for August, 1910		$4,162.43

SEPTEMBER, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3687—S. A. Farnsworth, City Treas.	Pay roll for August, 1910	$2,128.80
3688—Frank Alverdes Co.	Bindings, August	153.20

Warrant No.		
3689—Frank Alverdes Co.	Bindings, July	$194.10
3690—Frank Alverdes Co.	Bindings, July	69.15
3691—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, August	67.16
3692—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, August	154.31
3693—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, August, 1910	119.89
3694—E. W. Porter	Books, August, 1910	85.97
3695—John Towers	Books, August, 1910	7.00
3696—Minneapolis Dir. Co.	Books, August, 1910	7.00
3697—A. C. McClurg	Books, August, 1910	3.92
3698—Lemke & Buechner	Books, August, 1910	13.83
3699—The Boston Book Co.	Books, July and August, 1910	1.77
3700—William Abbatt	Books, July, 1910	2.60
3701—Arthur H. Clark Co.	Books, August, 1910	8.00
3702—Romen B. Hough	Books, August, 1910	5.18
3703—Robert Appleton	Books, August, 1910	8.00
3704—Cancelled.		
3705—John W. Nelson	Circulating 840 vols. in June, 1,084 in July, 1,213 in Aug	31.37
3706—Nellie A. Hall	Circulating 804 vols. in June	8.04
3707—Library Bureau	Shelf straps, $16.00; binders, 3, $39.60	55.60
3708—Gaylord Bros.	Binders, August	4.85
3709—The Pioneer Co.	Delinquent record, July	6.50
3710—People's Express & Storage Company	Express, July	12.75
3711—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery	15.98
3712—Randall-Ford Co.	Printing, August	58.50
3713—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	Service, August, 1910	232.59
3714—Am. District Tel. Co.	Service, July	4.50
3715—J. H. Allen & Co.	Engine supplies, July	14.15
3716—C. H. Booker	Repairs, August	5.00
3717—Nimis & Nimis	Repairs, July	48.54
3718—Lee & Hoff Mfg. Co.	Repairs, August	94.14
3719—N. W. Elec. Equip. Co.	Repairs, August	13.82
3720—Hennepin Hdw. Co.	Engine supplies, July	10.00
3721—Bd. of Water Comm'rs	Service, August	21.75
3722—N. W. Telephone Ex. Co.	Service for September	2.00
3723—Tri-State Tel. & Tel. Co.	Service for September	5.00
3724—Elk Laundry Co.	Service for August	2.50
3725—D. D. Smith	Insurance	100.00
Total for September, 1910		$3,777.26

OCTOBER, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3726—S. A. Farnsworth, City Treas.	Pay roll for September, 1910	$2,154.02
3727—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, September, 1910	136.78
3728—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, September, 1910	191.95
3729—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, September, 1910	161.27
3730—Ernest Wasmuth	Books, September, 1910	155.00
3731—Chas. Scribner Sons	Books, September, 1910	7.50
3732—Boston Book Co.	Books, September, 1910	61.95
3733—Arthur H. Clark Co	Books, September, 1910	3.60
3734—E. W. Porter	Books, September, 1910	190.62
3735—The Archaeological Institute of America		8.70
3736—F. Alverdes Co.	Binding, September, 1910	195.05
3737—John W. Nelson	Circulating 1,077 vols. in September, 1910	10.77
3738—Library Bureau	Stocks in different departments, September, 1910	1,255.25
3739—St. Paul Gas Light Co	Electric current, September, 1910	246.68
3740—C. G. Hartin Coal Co	Coal, September, 1910	67.81
3741—Illinois Boiler Compound Co.	Boiler compound, July, 1910	8.75
3742—Axel Nystrom	Repairs boiler, September, 1910	28.35
3743—John D. Roberts	Repairs boiler, September, 1910	31.20
3744—J. G. Robertson	New grates for boilers, September, 1910	96.04
3745—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co.	Engineer supplies, June, July, August and September, 1910	16.48
3746—The Pioneer Co.	Binding, September, 1910	7.50
3747—Daily News Pub. Co	Adv. for coal, 1909-1910	6.75
3748—A. D. T. Co	Night watch service, August, 1910	4.50
3749—N. W. Tel. Ex. Co	Service, October, 1910	2.00
3750—Tri-State Tel. & Tel . Co	Service, October, 1910	5.00
3751—Board of Water Comm'rs	September service, 1910	23.40
3752—Elk Laundry Co.	Service, July and September	5.00
3753—Gaylord Bros.	Stationery, September, 1910	3.40
3754—Helen J. McCaine	Sundry expenses, August and September	50.72
Total for October, 1910		$5,136.04

NOVEMBER, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3755—S. A. Farnsworth, City Treas.	Pay roll for October	$2,214.50
3756—Pioneer Co.	Binding, September, 1910	7.00
3757—Waldorf Bindery Co.	Binding	64.50
3758—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, October, 1910	153.13
3759—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, October, 1910	113.83
3760—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, October, 1910	123.60
3761—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, October, 1910	151.39
3762—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, October, 1910	171.18
3763—F. Willius	Books, October, 1910	10.00
3764—Lemke & Buechner	Books, October, 1910	21.06
3765—A. J. Grout	Books, July, 1910	1.25
3766—E. H. Beach	Books, October, 1910	3.60
3767—A. C. McClurg Co.	Books, October, 1910	1.29
3768—Alfred A. Goldsmith	Books, October, 1910	288.06
3769—E. W. Porter	Books, October, 1910	115.42
3770—St. Paul Gas Light Co.	October service	328.97
3771—C. G. Hartin Coal Co.	Fuel, October, 1910	37.59
3772—N. W. Fuel Co.	Fuel, October, 1910	156.69
3773—F. R. Mann & Son	Paints, July, August, September	3.15
3774—Maendler Bros.	Floor brushes, August and September	9.25
3775—Nimis & Nimis	Lamps, October, 1910	43.75
3776—Raymer Hardware Co.	Lockers, September, 1910	36.00
3777—N. W. Elec. Equip. Co.	Supplies, September and October	4.65
3778—Robinson, Cary & Sands	Miscellaneous sundries, October, 1910	4.58
3779—Library Bureau	Binders, book, pocket, etc., September and October, 1910	199.99
3780—Remington Typewriter Co.	Machine and cabinet, September	116.60
3781—H. M. Smyth Prtg. Co.	Repairing binders, October, 1910	54.60
3782—W. A. Lang	Insurance, October, 1910	65.81
3783—Gaylord Bros.	Binder, cloth, etc., October	12.19
3784—McClain & Gray Co.	Stationery supplies, October, 1910	18.00

Warrant No.		
3785—People's Express & Storage Company	Drayage, September, 1910	$55.75
3786—Munson Supply Co.	Keys for typewriter, October	7.00
3787—American Dist. Tel. Co.	Service, October, November, December, September	7.50
3788—Elk Laundry Co.	October service	2.50
3789—Tri-State Tel. & Tel. Co.	November service	5.00
3790—Helen J. McCaine	Sundry expense and attending State Libraries Association	70.13
3791—F. W. Tasker	Circulating books, July, August and September, 1910	22.90
3792—Victor C. Sundberg	Circulating books, August and September	15.58
3793—De Coster & Clark Co.	One desk, October, 1910	16.00
Total for month of November, 1910		$4,714.49

DECEMBER, 1910.

Warrant No.		
3794—S. A. Farnsworth, City Treas.	November pay roll	$2,308.16
3795—Frank Alverdes Co.	Bindings, October and November, 1910	173.90
3796—Frank Alverdes Co.	Bindings, November and December	72.80
3797—The Pioneer Co.	Bindings	11.10
3798—Waldorf Bindery Co.	Bindings, August, 1910	57.75
3799—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1910	148.62
3800—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1910	138.94
3801—St. Paul Book & Stationery Company	Books, November, 1910	178.04
3802—Boston Photo. News Co.	Books, November, 1910	6.00
3803—P. F. Collier & Son	Books, November, 1910	27.40
3804—The H. W. Wilson Co.	Books, November, 1910	24.00
3805—The Arthur H. Clark Co.	Books, November, 1910	8.95
3806—American Law Book Co.	Books, November, 1910	6.00
3807—The Johns Hopkins Press	Books, November, 1910	1.95
3808—Thomas J. Donlan	Books, November, 1910	24.94
3809—Ernest Wasmuth	Books, November, 1910	1.40
3810—National Printing Co.	Books, October and November, 1910	348.85
3811—Free Church Book Concern	Books, November, 1910	152.10

Warrant No.		
3812—W. J. Dyer Bros	Books, November and December, 1910	$18.00
3813—Robert Grau	Books, November, 1910	5.00
3814—Engineering News Pub. Co.	Books, November, 1910	2.25
3815—Brentano's	Books, September, 1910	2.16
3816—Gaylord Bros.	Books, printing and stationery, November	5.60
3817—Northwestern Stamp Works	Printing and stationery, October	3.50
3818—McClain & Gray Co	Printing and stationery, October and November	15.52
3819—Brown, Treacy & Sperry Co.	Printing and stationery, October	2.20
3820—Randall-Ford Co.	Printing and stationery, October and November	62.50
3821—Northwestern Fuel Co	Fuel, November, 1910	379.05
3822—St. Paul Gas Light Co	November lights	467.72
3823—N. W. Elec. Equip. Co	Repairs, November, 1910	8.80
3824—Western Supply Co	Repairs, November, 1910	1.98
3825—F. R. Mann	Repairs, November, 1910	5.35
3826—A. Nystrom	Repairs, November, 1910	13.85
3827—A. Marzolf & Son	Repairs, December, 1909, and year of 1910	46.54
3828—Robinson, Cary & Sands Co.	Repairs, November, 1910	8.32
3829—J. G. Robertson	Engine supplies, November, 1910	15.65
3830—Joseph Koski	Removing ashes, November, 1910	19.50
3831—J. H. Allen & Co	Engine supplies, November, 1910	11.25
3832—F. G. Leslie Co	Engine supplies, October, 1910	10.00
3833—Board of Water Commrs	Water, October and November	48.30
3834—People's Express Co	Drayage, October, 1910	5.00
3835—Elk Laundry Co	November service	2.50
3836—N. W. Tel. Exch. Co	November and December service	4.00
3837—Amer. District Tel. Co	Service, October and November, 1910	9.00
3838—Library Bureau	Cabinets, May, 1910	137.50
3839—Library Bureau	Cabinet and cards, October and November	181.50
3840—F. J. Romer Construction Co.	Cases and repairs, September and October	73.75

Warrant No.		
3841—Capital City Furn. Co.	Repairs library boxes, January and February	$27.90
3842—J. W. Nelson	Circulating books, October and November	25.21
3843—Victor C. Sundberg	Circulating books, October and November	13.05
3844—Frances James	Circulating books in November	11.84
3845—Clara Kellogg	Circulating books, October, 1910	8.99
3846—Anna E. Wright	Circulating books, October, 1910	9.53
Total for month of December, 1910		$5,354.61

RECAPITULATION.

Year.	Volume in Library.	Book Borrowers.	Circulation.	Paid for Books.	Paid for Periodicals.	Paid for Salaries.
1882-83 ...	*8,731	3,492	62,244	$377.85	$369.07	$2,427.70
1884	9,598	4,145	61,945	1,305.85	257.05	2,089.43
1885	11,254	4,146	54,927	2,887.42	384.24	2,449.27
1886	12,995	4,392	55,649	3,629.74	450.79	2,802.67
1887†	15,115	4,683	49,806	3,736.08	58.33	2,188.18
1888	17,912	5,565	71,416	3,948.80	485.65	3,187.43
1889	21,504	6,198	77,421	6,135.82	428.55	4,017.28
1890	26,546	7,165	100,620	7,322.02	539.12	5,232.24
1891	30,274	7,742	116,668	7,282.27	538.04	5,660.40
1892	32,722	8,200	142,048	4,310.35	682.40	5,581.33
1893	35,758	9,077	160,977	5,794.94	716.94	6,152.50
1894	38,389	10,279	188,495	3,460.60	685.84	6,480.18
1895	40,773	10,471	186,336	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1896	43,100	11,000	202,053	4,307.65	692.74	7,021.26
1897	44,853	11,792	208,640	2,967.06	709.88	7,363.53
1898	47,151	10,924	173,959	3,434.72	719.37	7,343.36
1899	49,222	10,228	163,397	3,763.83	753.54	7,761.39
1900	51,280	10,995	161,916	1,515.03	711.61	9,033.62
1901	54,550	11,211	172,855	4,538.63	696.07	10,498.46
1902	59,781	11,440	178,767	8,281.20	672.32	12,076.72
1903	66,463	12,213	194,899	11,292.50	763.05	13,914.84
1904	72,818	13,275	217,428	13,174.21	829.62	15,745.99
1905	80,248	18,296	263,051	12,232.31	724.22	17,684.39
1906	86,198	21,513	304,626	15,098.84	1,016.84	20,082.00
1907	95,663	29,166	328,054	19,208.96	1,305.49	20,601.72
1908	103,896	36,173	379,853	11,969.02	127.33	22,120.91
1909	110,277	42,040	409,028	7,401.81	1,436.03	22,927.32
1910	117,896	39,201	389,288	11,984.21	1,439.58	25,810.95

*Eight thousand and fifty-one volumes donated by the St. Paul Library Association.

†Ten months. Until 1888 the Library year commencing March 1.

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PERIODICALS FOR THE YEAR 1910

Academy.
Advertising Results.
Advocate of Peace.
Aeronautics.
Ambition.
America.
American Academy of Political and Social Science, Annals.
American Anthropologist.
American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal.
American Architect.
American Boy.
American Breeder's Magazine.
American Catholic Quarterly Review.
American Chemical Journal.
American City.
American Contractor.
American Economic Association Quarterly.
American Educational Review.
American Engineer and Railroad Journal.
American Forestry.
American Historical Review.
American Homes and Gardens.
American Journal of Archaeology.
American Journal of Numismatics.
American Journal of Philology.
American Journal of Psychology.
American Journal of Science.
American Journal of Semetic Languages and Literature.
American Journal of Sociology.
American Journal of Theology.
American Machinist.
American Magazine.
American Midland Naturalist.
American Monthly, D. A. R.
American Naturalist.
American Photography.
American Political Science Review.
American Review of Reviews.
American Poultry Journal.
American Statistical Association Publications.
American Traveler's Gazette.
Americana.
Amerika Esperantisto.
Annales de Geographie.
Annals of the Propagation of the Faith.
Architects' and Builders' Magazine.
Architectural Record.
Architectural Review, American.
Architectural Review, English.
Argonaut.
Army and Navy Journal.
Art and Progress.
Art Journal.
Assembly Herald.
Astrophysical Journal.
Athenaeum.
Atlantic Monthly.
Auk.
Auto Clipper.
Banker and Tradesman.
Banker's Magazine.
Baumeister.
Beacon.
Bellman.
Berliner Architekturwelt.
Best's Insurance News.
Biblical World.
Bibliotheca Sacra.
Billboard.
Bird Lore.
Blackwood's Magazine.
Book-News Monthly.
Book Review Digest.
Bookman.
Botanical Gazette.
Bradstreet's.
Brick.
Brickbuilder.
British Journal of Photography.
Brush and Pail.
Building Age.
Bulletin Archaeological Institute of America.
Bulletin of Bibliography.
Bulletin of New York Public Library.
Bulletin of Pan-American Union.
Bulletin of Torrey Botanical Club.
Burlington Magazine.
Business and the Book-keeper.
Business Philosopher and Salesmanship.
C. T. A. U. Advocate.
Canadian Magazine.
Cassell's Magazine.
Cassier's Magazine.
Cathedral Bulletin.
Catholic Missions.
Catholic World.
Century Magazine.
Chambers's Journal.
Chautauquan.
Chemical Engineer.
Chemical News.
Chicago Banker.

Child Lore.
Children's Magazine.
Christian and Missionary Alliance.
Christian Endeavor World.
Christian Herald.
Christian Register.
Christian Science Journal.
Christian Science Sentinel.
Christian Work and Evangelist.
Church Record.
Churchman.
Classical Journal.
Classical Philology.
Club Woman's Magazine.
Cold Storage and Ice Trade Journal.
Collier's National Weekly.
Coming Country.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle.
Compressed Air.
Concrete.
Contemporary Review.
Cornhill.
Correct English: How to Use It.
Cosmopolitan Magazine.
Country Gentleman.
Country Life, English.
Country Life in America.
Craftsman.
Cumulative Book Index.
Current Events.
Current Literature.
Delineator.
Designer.
Deutsche Kunst und Dekoration.
Deutsche Rundschau.
Deutsche Schule.
Deutscher Hausschatz.
Dial.
Dramatic Mirror.
Dublin Review.
Eastern and Western Review.
Economic Bulletin.
Economic Geology.
Edinburgh Review.
Education.
Educational Review.
Electric Journal.
Electric Railway Journal.
Electrical Review.
Electrical World.
Electrician and Mechanic.
Elementary School Teacher.
Elite Styles.
Engineering and Mining Journal.
Engineering Magazine.
Engineering News.
Engineering Record and Sanitary Engineer.
English Historical Review.
English Illustrated Magazine.
English Mechanic and World of Science.
Equity Series.
Etude.
Every Other Sunday.
Everybody's Magazine.
Exponent.
Expositor.
Expository Times.
Faith, The.
Farmer (Orange Judd).
Farmer (St. Paul).
Field and Stream.
Fleet Review.
Fliegende Blätter.
Forest and Stream.
Fortnightly Review.
Forum.
Garden Magazine.
Gardening.
Gartenlaube.
Gazette des Beaux Arts.
Genealogist.
Geographical Journal.
Geological Magazine.
Gleanings in Bee Culture.
Good Government.
Good Health.
Good Housekeeping.
Granite Monthly.
Graphic.
Green Bag.
Gregg Writer.
Hampton's Magazine
Harper's Bazaar.
Harper's Magazine.
Harper's Weekly.
Harvard Graduates' Magazine
Harvard Theological Review.
Health.
Health Culture.
Herald of the Cross.
Hibbert Journal.
Home Needlework Magazine.
Homiletic Review.
Horseless Age.
Horseshoers' Journal.
House and Garden.
House Beautiful.
Housekeeper.
Idler.
Illuminating Engineer.
L'Illustration.
L'Illustration Théatrale.
L'Illustrazione Italiana.
Illustreret Familie Journal.
Immigration Restriction League Publications.

Imperial and Asiatic Quarterly Review.
Improvement Bulletin.
Independent, Kansas City.
Independent, New York.
Indian's Friend.
Industrial Engineering and Engineering Digest.
Infantry Journal.
International Journal of Ethics.
International Marine Engineering.
International Steam Engineering.
International Studio.
Iron Age.
Irrigation Age.
Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science.
Journal of Accountancy.
Journal of American Chemical Society.
Journal of American Folklore.
Journal of American History.
Journal of American Osteopathic Association.
Journal of Education.
Journal of Franklin Institute.
Journal of Geology.
Journal of Philosophy, Psychology and Scientific Methods.
Journal of Political Economy.
Journal of Royal Society of Arts.
Journal of Zoophilly.
Judge.
Judicious Advertising and Advertising Experience.
Junior Christian Endeavor World.
Keith's Magazine on Home Building.
Keramic Studio.
Kindergarten Primary Magazine.
Kindergarten Review.
Kunst.
Kunst Unserer Zeit.
Ladies' Home Journal.
Ladies' Review.
Leslie's Weekly.
Library Journal.
Life.
Lippincott's Magazine.
Literarisches Zentralblatt.
Literary Digest.
Literary World.
Living Age.
Lodge Record.
London News.
London Quarterly Review.
Lowell Magazine.
McClure's Magazine.
Machinery.
Magazine of History with Notes and Queries.
Manual Training Magazine.
Medical Record.
Metal Industry.
Methodist Review, Bi-monthly.
Methodist Review, Quarterly.
Metropolitan Magazine.
Michigan Public Health.
Milliner.
Minnesota and Dakota Farmer.
Minnesota Forester.
Missionary Review of the World.
Modern Language Association of America. Publications.
Modern Philology.
Modern Sanitation.
Monthly Evening Sky Map.
Motor.
Motor Boat.
Munsey Magazine.
Musical Courier.
Musical Leader.
Nation.
National Builder.
National Food Magazine.
National Geographic Magazine.
National Magazine.
National Municipal League Proceedings.
National Prohibitionist.
National Review.
National Ripsaw.
Nature.
New Church Review.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register.
New England Magazine.
New Shakespeareana.
New York Times Review of Books.
Nineteenth Century and After.
North American Review.
North Star.
Northwest Farmstead.
Northwestern Christian Advocate.
Northwestern Miller.
Notes and Queries.
Nouvelle Revue.
Open Court.
Our Dumb Animals.
Outing Magazine.
Outlook, American.
Outlook, English.
Overland Monthly.
Pacific Monthly.
Pall Mall Magazine.
Park and Cemetery and Landscape Gardening.

Pearson's Magazine.
Pedagogical Seminary.
Petermanns Mitteilungen, and Supplements.
Philosophical Review.
Photo Era.
Physical Culture Magazine.
Physical Review.
Pitman's Journal.
Poet Lore.
Political Science Quarterly.
Popular Astronomy.
Popular Mechanics.
Popular Science Monthly.
Power and the Engineer.
Practical Engineer.
Presbyterian Work in Mexico.
Princeton Theological Review.
Printer's Ink.
Progressive Printer.
Psychological Bulletin.
Public Libraries.
Public Opinion.
Publisher's Circular.
Publisher's Weekly.
Puck.
Punch.
Quarterly Journal of Economics.
Quarterly Review.
Railway Age Gazette.
Railway Post Office.
Razoo.
Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature.
Real Estate News.
Records of the Past.
Recreation.
Remington Notes.
Revue des Deux Mondes.
Revuo.
Riverside.
Royal Blue.
St. John's Evangelist.
St. Nicholas.
St. Paul Medical Journal.
Sanitary Record.
Saturday Evening Post.
Saturday Review.
School Arts Book.
School Education.
School Review.
Science.
Science Progress in the Twentieth Century.
Scientific American.
Scientific American Supplement.
Scottish Historical Review.
Scrap Book.
Scribner's Magazine.
Sewanee Review.
Shoppell's Owners and Builders.
Single Tax Review.
South Atlantic Quarterly.
Spectator.
Spirit of Missions.
Star of the East.
State Fair News.
Steven's Institute Indicator.
Strand.
Stuffed Club.
Suburban Life.
Success.
Sunday School Times.
Survey.
System.
Technical Index.
Technical World.
Technology Architectural Record.
Theatre.
Theological Quarterly.
Theosophic Messenger.
Theosophical Quarterly.
Tilskueren.
Times Literary Supplement, London.
Times South American Supplement, London.
Times Woman's Supplement, London.
Trained Nurse and Hospital Review.
Twentieth Century Magazine.
Uber Land und Meer.
United Banker.
United States—
  Bureau of Foreign Commerce. Consular Reports.
  Bureau of Insular Affairs. Quarterly Summary of Commerce of the Philippine Islands.
  Bureau of Labor. Bulletin.
  Bureau of Manufactures. Department of Labor, Daily Consular and Trade Reports.
  Congress. Congressional Record.
  Department of Agriculture. Bureau of Statistics, Crop Reporter.
  Department of Agriculture. Office of Experiment Stations, Experiment Station Record.
  Patent Office. Official Gazette.
Unity.
University Farm Press News.
University of Chicago Magazine.
Velhagen und Klasings Monatshefte.
Wall's Real Estate News.
Western Architect.
Western Underwriter.
Westerner.
Westminster Review.

What's in the Magazines.
Wide World Magazine.
Woche.
Woman's Home Companion.
Woman's Journal.
Woodworker and Art Craftsman.
Work With Boys.
World To-day.
World's Chronicle.
World's Work.
Yale Review.
Youth's Companion.

NEWSPAPERS FOR THE YEAR 1910

Atlanta Constitution.
Baltimore, Sun.
Bellingham, Independent.
Boston, Christian Science Monitor.
Boston Evening Transcript.
Buffalo Commercial.
Chicago Record-Herald.
Chicago Daily Tribune.
Cincinnati Enquirer.
Cleveland Leader.
Denver, Colorado Graphic.
Denver Post.
Detroit Free Press.
Duluth Evening Herald.
Duluth Posten.
Eureka Journal.
Frankfurter Zeitung.
Grand Forks Daily Herald.
Helena, Montana Daily Record.
Kansas City Star.
Kansas City Times.
Kathryn Recorder.
London, Times.
Los Angeles Herald.
Louisville, Courier-Journal.
Milwaukee Sentinel.
Minneapolis, Echo de l'Ouest.
Minneapolis Morning Tribune.
Minneapolis, Progress.
Minnetonka Record.
New Orleans, Daily Picayune.
New York, Evening Post.
New York, Irish World.
New York, Sun.
New York, Times.
New York Tribune.
New York, Wall Street Journal.
Omaha Daily Bee.
Ortonville, Bigstone County Journal.
Philadelphia, Public Ledger.
Pittsburgh Dispatch.
Portland, Morning Oregonian.
St. Louis Globe-Democrat.
St. Paul, Appeal.
St. Paul Daily News.
St. Paul Dispatch.
St. Paul, Daily Pioneer Press.
St. Paul Review.
St. Paul, Tagliche Volkszeitung.
St. Paul Tidende.
St. Paul, Twin City Guardian.
St. Paul, Ugebladet.
San Francisco Chronicle.
Seattle Post-Intelligencer.
Shakopee Tribune.
Springfield Republican.
Troy Herald.
Washington Post.
Washington, Evening Star.
West St. Paul Times.
White Bear Life.
Winnipeg Telegram.

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